

RESOLUTION A.614(15)

*Adopted on 19 November 1987
Agenda item 12*

**CARRIAGE OF RADAR OPERATING IN THE
FREQUENCY BAND 9,300-9,500 MHz**

THE ASSEMBLY,

RECALLING Article 15(j) of the Convention on the International Maritime Organization concerning the functions of the Assembly in relation to regulations and guidelines concerning maritime safety,

NOTING the decision of the Maritime Safety Committee that a 9 GHz radar transponder should provide the main means in the global maritime distress and safety system (GMDSS) for locating survival craft,

NOTING FURTHER the provisions of regulation V/12 of the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974, require that:

- (a) ships of 500 tons gross tonnage and upwards constructed on or after 1 September 1984 and ships of 1,600 tons gross tonnage and upwards constructed before 1 September 1984 shall be fitted with a radar installation, and
- (b) ships of 10,000 tons gross tonnage and upwards shall be fitted with two radar installations,

BEARING IN MIND that the performance standards for radar equipment, adopted by resolution A.477(XII), do not specify which frequency band should be used for ships' radar equipment,

HAVING CONSIDERED the recommendation made by the Maritime Safety Committee at its fifty-third session,

RECOMMENDS Member Governments to ensure that on ships equipped with a radar installation or installations at least one radar operates in the 9,300-9,500 MHz frequency band.