RESOLUTION A.451(XI)

Adopted on 15 November 1979 Agenda item 12(c)

ACCEPTANCE OF THE AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE VII OF THE CONVENTION ON FACILITATION OF INTERNATIONAL MARITIME TRAFFIC, 1965

THE ASSEMBLY,

RECALLING the adoption on 19 November 1973 of the amended Article VII to the Convention on Facilitation of International Maritime Traffic, 1965, by an international conference convened for this purpose by the Secretary-General of the Organization,

RECALLING ALSO that it has traditionally given considerable importance to the acceptance and implementation of the 1965 Facilitation Convention as reflected in its resolutions A.194(VI), A.239(VII) and A.298(VIII),

NOTING the deep concern of the Facilitation Committee as expressed in resolution A.357(IX) to the effect that the continued improvement of the 1965 Facilitation Convention, through timely amendment of its Annex, would be impaired until such time as the amended Article VII is in force,

CONVINCED that the amended Article VII will facilitate the adoption of fundamentally desirable amendments to the 1965 Facilitation Convention and thereby maintain its viability,

BEARING IN MIND the prerequisite of bringing into force the amended Article VII of the 1965 Facilitation Convention for the effective operation of that Convention, with a particular view to the amendments to the Annex thereof, envisaged to ensue from the extended activities relative to facilitation matters within the Organization,

RECOMMENDS that Governments, Parties to the Convention on Facilitation of International Maritime Traffic, 1965, use their best endeavours to bring about the acceptance of the amended text of Article VII thereto with the least possible delay.