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## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 5385]

### Shipping Coordinating Committee; Notice of Meeting

The Shipping Coordinating Committee (SHC) will conduct an open meeting from 10 a.m. until 11 a.m. on Thursday, June 1, in Room 4420, at U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, 2100 Second Street, SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001. The purpose of the meeting is to finalize preparations for the 56th Session of the Technical Co-operation Committee and the 96th Session of the Council of the International Maritime Organization (IMO), which are scheduled for June 13-23, at the IMO Headquarters in London. Discussion will focus on papers received and draft U.S. positions.

Items of particular interest include:

- Reports of Committees;
- Resource Management;
- Reports and financing of the Integrated Technical Co-operation Programme; and
- Strategy and planning.

Members of the public may attend these meetings up to the seating capacity of the room. Interested persons can obtain information by writing: Director, International Affairs, U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, Commandant (G-CI), room 2114, 2100 Second Street, SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001 or by calling: (202) 267-2280.

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**Clay Diamond,**

*Executive Secretary, Shipping Coordinating Committee, Department of State.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 5386]

### Shipping Coordinating Committee; Notice of Meeting

The Shipping Coordinating Committee (SHC) will conduct an open meeting at 1 p.m. on Thursday, June 22, 2006, in Room 6319 of the United States Coast Guard Headquarters Building, 2100 2nd Street SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001. The primary purpose of

the meeting is to complete preparations for the 49th Session of the International Maritime Organization (IMO) Sub-Committee on Stability and Load Lines and on Fishing Vessels Safety to be held at IMO Headquarters in London, England from July 24th to 28th.

The primary matters to be considered include:

- Development of explanatory notes for harmonized SOLAS Chapter II-1;
- Passenger ship safety;
- Review of the Intact Stability Code;
- Safety of small fishing vessels;
- Tonnage measurement of open-top containerships;
- Review of the SPS Code.

Members of the public may attend this meeting up to the seating capacity of the room.

Interested persons may seek information by writing to Mr. Paul Cojeen, Commandant (G-PSE), U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, 2100 Second Street SW., Room 1308, Washington, DC 20593-0001 or by calling (202) 267-2988.

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**Clay L. Diamond,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 5391]

### Shipping Coordinating Committee; Notice of Meeting

The Shipping Coordinating Committee (SHC) will conduct an open meeting at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, May 30, 2006, in Room 2415 of the United States Coast Guard Headquarters Building, 2100 2nd Street, SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001. The primary purpose of the meeting is to prepare for the 14th Session of the International Maritime Organization (IMO) Sub-Committee on Flag State Implementation to be held at IMO Headquarters in London, England from June 5th to 9th.

The primary matters to be considered include:

- Responsibilities of Governments and measures to encourage flag State compliance;
- Port State Control (PSC) on seafarer's working hours;
- Harmonization of port State control activities;
- Comprehensive analysis of difficulties encountered in the implementation of IMO instruments;
- Mandatory reports under International Convention for the

- Prevention of Pollution from Ships, 1973, as modified by the Protocol of 1978 (MARPOL 73/78);
  - Casualty statistics and investigations;
  - Review of the Code for the investigation of marine casualties and incidents;
  - Review of the Survey Guidelines under the Harmonized System of Survey and Certification (HSSC)—(resolution A.948(23));
  - Development of guidelines on port State control under the 2004 Ballast Water Management (BWM) Convention;
  - Development of survey guidelines required by regulation E-1 of the 2004 BWM Convention;
  - Port reception facilities-related issues;
  - Illegal, unregulated and unreported (IUU) fishing and implementation of resolution A.925(22);
  - Consideration of International Association of Classification Societies (IACS) unified interpretations;
- Members of the public may attend this meeting up to the seating capacity of the room. Interested persons may seek information by writing to Mr. E.J. Terminella, Commandant (G-PCV), U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, 2100 Second Street, SW., Room 1116, Washington, DC 20593-0001 or by calling (202) 267-2978.

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**Clay Diamond,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Delegation of Authority 292]

### Delegation by the Deputy Secretary of State to the Assistant Secretary for Near Eastern Affairs of Authority To Submit Certain Iraq Reports to the Congress

By virtue of the authority vested in the Secretary of State, including section 1 of the State Department Basic Authorities Act, as amended (22 U.S.C. 2651a) and the Presidential Memorandum For the Secretary of State—Delegation of Certain Reporting Authority, dated July 2, 2004 (69 FR 43723), and delegated to the Deputy Secretary of State pursuant to Delegation of Authority 245 of April 23, 2001, I hereby delegate to the Assistant Secretary for Near Eastern Affairs the authority to approve submission of reports to the Congress pursuant to section 4 (a) of the Authorization for Use of Military Force Against Iraq