

6. Each Contracting Government operating one or more ocean station vessels shall provide, to all other Contracting Governments, copies of all regular surface and upper air meteorological observations made by such vessel or vessels.
7. Statistical meteorological records and summaries of the observations made by the ocean station vessels shall be maintained in standard form and copies exchanged between the Contracting Governments.

#### B—Search and Rescue Services

1. The ocean station vessels shall form part of the general search and rescue organisation and shall participate in search and rescue operations in accordance with ICAO procedures and with those of the Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea. To this end they shall remain as close as practicable to their assigned locations, unless it becomes necessary for them to leave such location for search and rescue operations.
2. The ocean station vessels shall, as far as possible, assist aircraft, which have signified their intention of ditching alongside the vessel, to execute this manoeuvre successfully.
3. The ocean station vessels shall carry such search and rescue equipment as is necessary in effecting sea rescue, and such medical equipment as is necessary to succour survivors.
4. The crews on the ocean station vessels shall be expertly trained in effecting sea rescues.

#### C—Communication Services

The communication equipment on ocean station vessels shall be sufficient to ensure:

- (a) the receipt of safety, distress or emergency calls from mobile units, air or surface;
- (b) communication with surface vessels or aircraft for distress, emergency and safety purposes;
- (c) communication on the regional search and rescue and scene of action frequencies;
- (d) the provision of normal aeronautical mobile communications with aircraft;
- (e) communication with shore stations.

#### D—Radio Navigational Aids to Aircraft

The ocean station vessels shall provide, when circumstances so require, radio navigational aid to aircraft by the following means:

- (a) direction finding;
- (b) radio beacon;
- (c) microwave search radar.

#### E—Incidental Services

In addition to the services specified in paragraphs A, B, C and D above, the ocean station vessels shall perform such incidental services as may