

ARTICLE 7 Access to Space Segment

Article 7, paragraphs (1) and (2) are replaced by the following text:

(1) The INMARSAT space segment shall be open for use by ships and aircraft of all nations on conditions to be determined by the Council. In determining such conditions, the Council shall not discriminate among ships or aircraft on the basis of nationality.

(2) The Council may, on a case-by-case basis, permit access to the INMARSAT space segment by earth stations located on structures operating in the marine environment other than ships, if and as long as the operation of such earth stations will not significantly affect the provision of service to ships or aircraft.

ARTICLE 8 Other Space Segments

Article 8, paragraph (1) is replaced by the following text:

(1) A Party shall notify the Organization in the event that it or any person within its jurisdiction intends to make provision for, or initiate the use of, individually or jointly, separate space segment facilities to meet any or all of the maritime purposes of the INMARSAT space segment, to ensure technical compatibility and to avoid significant economic harm to the INMARSAT system.

ARTICLE 12 Assembly - Functions

Article 12, sub-paragraph (1)(c) is replaced by the following text:

(c) Authorize, on the recommendation of the Council, the establishment of additional space segment facilities the special or primary purpose of which is to provide radiodetermination, distress or safety services. However, the space segment facilities established to provide maritime and aeronautical public correspondence services can be used for telecommunications for distress, safety and radiodetermination purposes without such authorization.