B. General Provisions

In conjunction with paragraph 2 of Article V of the Convention, the provisions of this Annex shall not preclude public authorities from taking such appropriate measures, including calling for further information, as may be necessary in cases of suspected fraud or to deal with special problems constituting a grave danger to public order (ordre public), public security or public health, or to prevent the introduction or spread of diseases or pests affecting animals or plants.

1.1 Standard. Public authorities shall in all cases require only essential information to be furnished, and shall keep the number of items to a minimum.

Where a specific list of particulars is set out in the Annex, public authorities shall not require to be furnished such of those particulars as they consider not essential.

1.2 Recommended Practice. Notwithstanding the fact that documents for certain purposes may be separately prescribed and required in this Annex, public authorities, bearing in mind the interests of those who are required to complete the documents as well as the purposes for which they are to be used, should provide for any two or more such documents to be combined into one in any case in which this is practicable and in which an appreciable degree of facilitation would result.

Section 2-ARRIVAL, STAY AND DEPARTURE OF THE SHIP

This section contains the provisions concerning the formalities required of shipowners by the public authorities on the arrival, stay and departure of the ship and shall not be read so as to preclude a requirement for the presentation for inspection by the appropriate authorities of certificates and other papers carried by the ship pertaining to its registry, measurement, safety, manning and other related matters.

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2.1 Standard. Public authorities shall not require for their retention, on arrival or departure of ships to which the Convention applies, any documents other than those covered by the present section.

The documents in question are:

General Declaration Cargo Declaration Ship's Stores Declaration Crew's Effects Declaration Crew List Passenger List

The document required under the Universal Postal Convention for mail Maritime Declaration of Health.

B. Contents and Purpose of Documents

2.2 Standard. The General Declaration shall be the basic document on arrival and departure providing information required by public authorities relating to the ship.