

**Agenda item 9 – IALA TECHNICAL ACTIVITIES**

**9.4 e-NAV**

**9.4.2 Documents to note**

***9.4.2-7 Liaison note to ITU-R WP5B, Annex 2. Working Document Toward Preliminary Draft New Recommendation ITU-R M.[VDES], Technical characteristics for a VHF Data Exchange System (VDES) in the VHF maritime mobile band***

Note by the Secretariat

**1 SUMMARY**

This Annex 1 to the Liaison Note to ITU WP5B provides IALA input concerning the operational characteristics of a VHF Data Exchange System (VDES) in both the VHF maritime mobile band and the satellite component.

In order to meet the deadline of 11th November as the latest date for submission of documents to the next meeting on ITU-R WP5B from 18 – 29 November 2013, the Council approved this document by correspondence.

**2 ACTION REQUESTED**

The Council is requested to Note.