

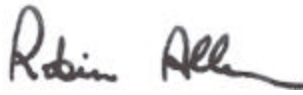
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To: Parties to the AIDCP

From: Robin Allen, Director



Re: Proposed amendment to Annex IV of the AIDCP

During the 4th Meeting of the Parties to the AIDCP, held in La Jolla in October 2000, the Parties discussed the possibility of amending Annex IV of the AIDCP to allow DMLs to be held in reserve and assigned to qualified vessels at any time during the course of the year. At the request of the Parties, the Secretariat drafted the following amendment to Annex IV:

The following paragraph is inserted after paragraph I (9) of Annex IV of the AIDCP:

“10. Any Party shall be able to assign 10% of its initial DML allocation to a reserve, any part of which it may assign to its vessels at any point during the year for which that DML is assigned. This reserve shall not be subject to the May 1 deadline established in paragraph III (3) of this Annex, but all the other provisions of the Annex, including the limitations of the reallocation of forfeited or unutilized DMLs, shall apply to any DML assigned from this reserve. No allocation from this reserve shall take effect until seven days after the Director has been notified of its agreement.”

The current paragraph 10 of Section I of the annex is now paragraph 11.

The Parties discussed this proposed amendment but no agreement was reached, and it was decided that the matter would be addressed at the next Meeting of the Parties in June 2001. The Secretariat will include the issue in the agenda for that meeting.

If you have any questions or comments regarding this or other matters, please do not hesitate to contact me.