



To: All IMSO Member States
All IMSO Observers

From: IMSO Director General 

Subject: **Twenty-sixth session of the Assembly of the International Mobile Satellite Organization**

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The Director General has the honour to refer to the letter IMSO/2020/ASSEMBLY-26/024 circulating the revised plan for convening of the twenty-sixth session of the IMSO Assembly.

In response to the ongoing global COVID 19 pandemic and its consequences for international travel, the letter outlined the plan to hold the session remotely in two separate parts i.e. Part I on 17 and 18 December 2020 and Part II in 2021 on dates to be determined in consultation with IMO Meeting Schedule Reconstruction Team (MSRT).

Given the time limitations imposed by the meeting schedule and virtual nature of the meeting, the Director General has since been able to make scheduling rearrangements, making it possible to extend the dates of the Assembly to include 16 December 2020.

In light of this, and following further discussion with the IMO MSRT, it is noted that IMSO has two options to conduct the assembly. Option 1: Given the extra time allocated, IMSO may have the opportunity to conduct the complete agenda in one session, without splitting into part I and II, with the possibility of extending the meeting to include 21 and 22 December 2020 if required for completion (weekend days 19 and 20 December would not be used for meeting). Or Option 2: to conduct the Assembly in 2 parts, Part I from 16 to 18 December and Part II to be conducted on new dates in 2021 as offered by the IMO MSRT.

In this regard, the Director General invites Member States' feedback on whether IMSO should endeavour to conduct the Assembly session in accordance with Option 1 or Option 2. Accordingly, Member States are invited to submit response by **30 October 2020** via email to info@imso.org. On receipt of feedback from Member States, the Director General will consult with the Assembly Chair for determining the dates and time table. All input would be greatly appreciated to facilitate coordination with all parties involved.

The Director General avails himself of this opportunity to convey to all Parties the assurance of his highest consideration.

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