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Guidelines on Marine Accident Investigation Reports

1) When receiving, from an accident investigation, a draft Marine Accident Investigation Report containing draft recommendations relevant to class/statutory matters, **IACS Members** should discuss the draft recommendations with the accident investigation body, if possible, at as early a stage as possible, in order to ensure that the recommendations are directed to the right subject depending on their contents as follows:

- to the “involved classification society” (meaning the society that classed the ship) as regards classification requirements; and
- to the ship’s flag State as regards statutory regulations.

2) When receiving, from an accident investigation body, a Marine Accident Investigation Report containing recommendations:

- to IACS Members; or
- to IACS in general; or
- which are within the responsibility of flag States and appropriate for or in need of IMO consideration.

the **IACS PermSec** should request the accident investigation body to redirect such recommendations to the “involved classification society” (meaning the society that classed the ship) as regards classification requirements and to the ship’s flag State as regards statutory regulations.

3) The “involved classification society” should make its own assessment of the recommendations in the report and, where relevant, develop possible proposals to amend IACS resolutions and forward them to GPG for consideration.

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