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### SHIP STATION IDENTIFICATION FOR VHF/UHF AND MARITIME MOBILE - SATELLITE SERVICES

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## NOTES

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2 In this Recommendation, the expression “Administration” is used for conciseness to indicate both a telecommunication administration and a recognized operating agency.

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## SHIP STATION IDENTIFICATION FOR VHF/UHF AND MARITIME MOBILE-SATELLITE SERVICES

### 1 Introduction

1.1 The purpose of this Recommendation is to specify a method by which an internationally unique ship station identification may be assigned to all the ships participating in the Maritime Mobile Services.

#### 1.2 Terminology

The following terms are used in this Recommendation:

##### 1.2.1 Maritime Mobile (Terrestrial) Service

*F: service mobile maritime (de Terre)*

*S: servicio móvil marítimo (terrenal)*

Conventional Maritime Mobile Services such as the HF Maritime Service, the MF Maritime Service and the VHF Maritime Service (as defined in the *Radio Regulations* [1]).

##### Maritime Mobile-Satellite Service

*F: service mobile maritime par satellite*

*S: servicio móvil marítimo por satélite*

As defined in the *Radio Regulations* [1].

##### 1.2.2 coast station

*F: station côtière*

*S: estación costera*

A land station in the Maritime Mobile Service.

##### coast earth station

*F: station terrienne côtière*

*S: estación terrena costera*

An earth station in the Fixed-Satellite Service or, in some cases, in the Maritime Mobile-Satellite Service, located at a specified fixed point on land to provide a feeder link for the Maritime Mobile-Satellite Service.

*Note* – In this Recommendation the term coast station is also intended to include, for simplicity, coast earth station.

<sup>1)</sup> This Recommendation is also included in the E Series as Recommendation E.210.