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THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community, and in particular Article 118a thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission<sup>(1)</sup>, drawn up after consultation with the Advisory Committee on Safety, Hygiene and Health Protection at Work,

In cooperation with the European Parliament<sup>(2)</sup>,

Having regard to the Opinion of the Economic and Social Committee<sup>(3)</sup>,

Whereas the Commission communication on its programme concerning safety, hygiene and health at work<sup>(4)</sup> envisages measures to ensure medical treatment at sea;

Whereas the safety and health of workers on board a vessel, which constitutes a workplace involving a wide range of risks, bearing in mind, inter alia, its geographical isolation, where appropriate, require special attention;

Whereas vessels should have adequate medical supplies, kept in good order and checked at regular intervals, so that workers can obtain the necessary medical treatment at sea;

Whereas, in order to ensure appropriate medical treatment at sea, training and information of seafarers should be encouraged as regards the use of medical supplies;

Whereas the use of long-distance medical-consultation methods constitutes an efficient way of contributing to the protection of the safety and health of workers,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DIRECTIVE:

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- (1) OJ No C 183, 24. 7. 1990, p. 6 and  
OJ No C 74, 20. 3. 1991, p. 11.
- (2) OJ No C 48, 25. 2. 1991, p. 154 and  
OJ No C 326, 16. 12. 1991, p. 72.
- (3) OJ No C 332, 31. 12. 1990, p. 165.
- (4) OJ No C 28, 3. 2. 1988, p. 3.