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Subject: **Update on the 2023 World Maritime Day Parallel Event**

The Secretary-General of the International Maritime Organization (IMO) refers to the World Maritime Day Parallel Event scheduled to take place in Tehran, Islamic Republic of Iran, from 23 to 26 October 2023.

Pursuant to a decision of the IMO Council, at its 129th session held from 17 to 21 July 2023, to rescind the decision to accept the offer made by the Islamic Republic of Iran to host the World Maritime Day Parallel Event in 2023, the World Maritime Day Parallel Event will not be celebrated in 2023.