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To: All IMO Members
Intergovernmental organizations
Non-governmental organizations in consultative status

Subject: **Communication from the Government of the Russian Federation**

The Government of the Russian Federation has sent the attached communication, dated 26 May 2022, with the request that it be circulated by the Organization.

MISSION OF
THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION
TO THE INTERNATIONAL MARITIME
ORGANIZATION (IMO)



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The Mission of the Russian Federation to the International Maritime Organization (IMO) presents its compliments to the Secretary-General of the IMO and with reference to the Mission's Note No. 003/124 of 25 March informing of the establishment by the Russian side of a humanitarian maritime corridor in the Black Sea pursuant to the outcomes of the 35th Council's extraordinary session, as represented in C/ES/35/D, in particular its paragraph 3.2, on the "establishment, as a provisional and urgent measure, of a blue safe maritime corridor to allow safe evacuation of seafarers and ships" would like to submit the following.

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The route of the aforementioned humanitarian maritime corridor in the Black Sea providing for the safe passage of merchant vessels from the ports of the Ukraine (ports of Chernomorsk, Kherson, Mykolaiv, Ochakov, Odessa and Yuzhne) will be altered due to safety considerations starting from 27 May 2022 (please, find sketch-map enclosed).

This extended corridor will stretch for 139 miles and will be 3-mile wide. It will operate daily from 8 a.m. till 7 p.m. (UTC+3).

H.E. Mr. Kitack Lim
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The coordinates for the assembly area (RC-1) will be as follows:

46° 09' N 31° 00' E

46° 09' N 31° 08' E

46° 04' N 31° 08' E

46° 04' N 31° 00' E.

The coordinates for the turning point №1:

45° 40' N 31° 35' E

The coordinates for the turning point №2:

45° 08' N 31° 35' E

The coordinates for the turning point №3:

44° 18' N 30° 22' E

The coordinates for the exit area (RR-2) will be as follows:

44° 18' N 30° 18' E

44° 18' N 30° 26' E

44° 13' N 30° 26' E

44° 13' N 30° 18' E.

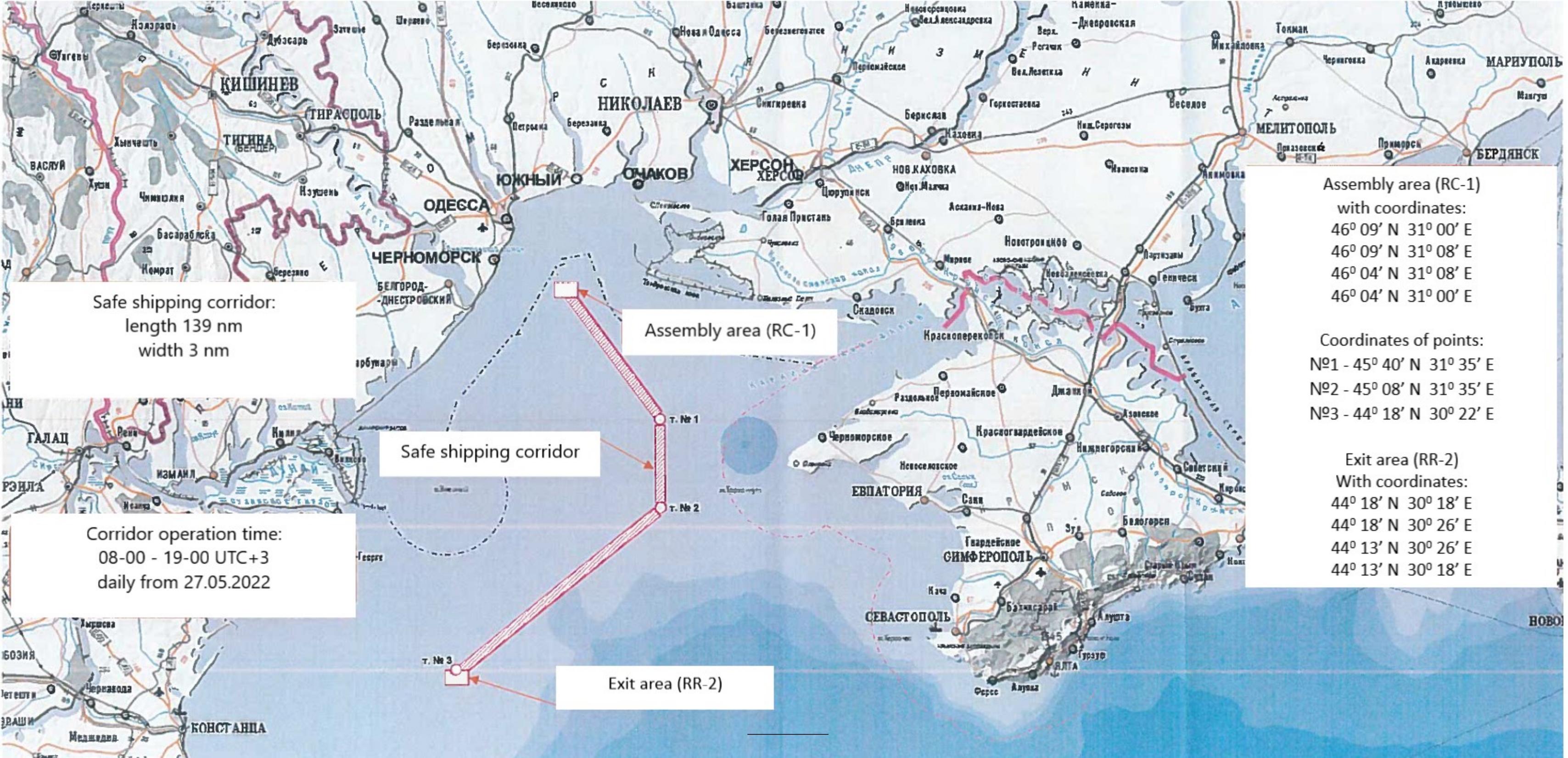
The Russian side repeatedly calls on competent authorities of the Ukraine to provide for the safety and security of the merchant vessels and their crews transiting to the assembly area (RC-1).

The Russian side seeks the kind support of the Secretary-General of the IMO in implementing this urgent measure as indicated by the Council at its 35th extraordinary session and kindly asks for this letter to be circulated to the IMO Member States and International Organizations.

The Mission of the Russian Federation avails itself of the opportunity to renew to the Secretary-General of the International Maritime Organization the assurances of its highest consideration.



London, 26 May 2022



Safe shipping corridor:
length 139 nm
width 3 nm

Assembly area (RC-1)

Safe shipping corridor

Corridor operation time:
08-00 - 19-00 UTC+3
daily from 27.05.2022

Exit area (RR-2)

Assembly area (RC-1)
with coordinates:
46° 09' N 31° 00' E
46° 09' N 31° 08' E
46° 04' N 31° 08' E
46° 04' N 31° 00' E

Coordinates of points:
№1 - 45° 40' N 31° 35' E
№2 - 45° 08' N 31° 35' E
№3 - 44° 18' N 30° 22' E

Exit area (RR-2)
With coordinates:
44° 18' N 30° 18' E
44° 18' N 30° 26' E
44° 13' N 30° 26' E
44° 13' N 30° 18' E