



# Manual

*for use by the Maritime Mobile and  
Maritime Mobile-Satellite Services*

*Provisions of the Telecommunication  
Services applicable or useful to stations  
in the Maritime Mobile and Maritime  
Mobile-Satellite Services*





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