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International Merchant Marine Registry of Belize

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Concentrated Inspection Campaign (CIC) on Crew Familiarization for Enclosed Space Entry from 01 September to 30 November 2015

TO: DEPUTY REGISTRARS, SHIP OWNERS/ISM OPERATORS/RECOGNIZED ORGANIZATIONS/SHIPPING AGENTS/GENERAL SAFETY INSPECTORS

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Paris, Black and Tokyo MOUs Joint CIC for Enclosed Space: CIC on crew Familiarization for Enclosed Space Entry (Attached press release and CIC questionnaire)

IMO MSC 350 (92) amendments to SOLAS

IMO Resolution A. 1050 (27): Revised Recommendations for Entering Enclosed Spaces

PURPOSE

The International Merchant Marine Registry of Belize (IMMARBE) with the aim to avoid detentions during the joint Concentrate Inspection Campaign (CIC) by MOUs (Paris, Tokyo, Black Sea and Indian) requires all addressed parties to ensure that ship's procedure and measures in place with respect to enclosed space are checked in details for compliance with the IMO adopted amendment to SOLAS Reg. III/19 which added a new requirement for mandatory enclosed space entry and rescue drills.

CONTENT

The Concentrate Inspection Campaign will be held by Paris, Tokyo, Black Sea, and Indian MOUs for three months, commencing from September 01, 2015 to November 30, 2015.

The Port State Control Offices (PSCOs) will use a list of ten (10) selected questions to establish that crew members with enclosed space duties are familiar with relevant equipment and have received training to carry out their duties and identify and understand the hazards associated with entry into enclosed spaces. Moreover, there are questions aiming to gather information about the existence of measures to test the atmosphere of an enclosed space to confirm it is safe to enter and remains safe whilst persons are within the space. PSCOs will use the questionnaire attached for this notification.

When deficiencies are found, actions by the PSCOs may vary from recording a deficiency and Instructing the Master to rectify it within a certain period of time to detaining the ship until serious Deficiencies have been rectified. In the case of detention, ISM operators are required to submit to the Flag Administration the detention report issued along with actions taken. Instruction from Flag Administration (Merchant Shipping Notice-MSN-0010) for vessel detained must be followed by the responsible Recognized Organization.

Action Required from Owners/ISM Operators/Flag Inspectors/Recognized Organizations during the Concentrate Inspection Campaign for Vessels trading in Paris, Tokyo, Black Sea, and Indian MOUs

1. All Vessels currently trading within Paris, Tokyo, Black Sea and Indian MOUs, ISM operators need to contact the Master in order to complete the attached questionnaire to be used by PSCOs. The complete questionnaire need to be submitted by ISM operators to our Flag Administration not later than 10 August 2015. Owners/Operators will submit the attached questionnaire duly signed/stamp by Master to IMMARBE Technical Department (Capt. Demetrio Cortes – demetrio@immarbe.com), Eng. Eduardo Simon (technicalofficer@immarbe.com) and Eng. Jessica Villarreal- technicalofficer2@immarbe.com)
2. Annual Flag Inspections to be carried by General Safety Inspectors from 01 August 2015. The CIC questionnaire will be carried out in conjunction with the Master in order to ensure that ship condition and crew onboard comply with the questions to be asked by PSCOs. General Safety Inspector must ensure that Flag Administration is informed immediately of any deficiency found in relation to the CIC questionnaire.
3. Recognized Organizations that will carry out any statutory surveys from 01 August 2015, the CIC questionnaire will be carried out in conjunction with the applicable surveys on all Belize Vessels. Recognized Organizations must ensure that Flag Administration is informed immediately of any deficiency found in relation to the CIC questionnaire. Recognized Organization will submit upon completion of the statutory survey the CIC questionnaire duly signed/stamp by Master to IMMARBE Technical Department (Capt. Demetrio Cortes – demetrio@immarbe.com), Eng. Eduardo Simon (technicalofficer@immarbe.com) and Eng. Jessica Villarreal- technicalofficer2@immarbe.com)

The above actions will remain in force during the three months of the inspection Campaign on Crew Familiarization for enclosed space entry.

Look forward for your cooperation and assistance.

Kind regards;

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