

Marine Department Announcement No. 4 B.E. 2560 (2017 A.D.)

Compliance Practices under the Applicable Amendments to Maritime Labour Convention

In Accordance with the amendments of 2014 to the Maritime Labour Convention, 2006 (2014 Amendments) onto Regulation 2.5 (Repatriation) and Regulation 4.2 (Shipowners' liability), Marine Department has its Announcement, providing information of compliance practices under the applicable amendments to the Maritime Labour Convention. The following is the summary of the new requirements.

1 <u>Practices in compliance with the Amendments under Regulation 2.5</u> (Repatriation)

1.1 A financial security shall be provided to ensure that any seafarers employed on board the ship is provided with assistance when the seafarer is abandoned. The financial security shall meet the relevant provisions of the standard A2.5.2 of the 2014 Amendments.

1.2 The document evidence of financial security (repatriation) shall be carried on ship. The financial security shall be in English and contain the particular information set out in Appendix A2-I of the 2014 Amendments and shall be posted in a conspicuous position on board, which is accessible to all seafarers.

2 <u>Practices in compliance with the Amendments under Regulation 4.2</u> (Shipowners' Liability)

2.1 A financial security shall be provided to ensure that payment of compensation for any liability claim brought in respect of any scafarer employed to work on board the ship. The financial Marine Service security shall meet the relevant provisions of the standard A4.2.2 of the 2014 Amendments.

2.2 The ship must carry on board a financial security for shipowners' liability in the from of a certificate or other documentary evidence issued by a provider of the security. The financial security shall be in English and contain the particular information set out in Appendix A4-I of the 2014 Amendments and shall be posted in a conspicuous position on board, which is accessible to all seafarers.

3 <u>Practices in compliance with the Declaration of Maritime Labour Compliance and the Maritime Labour Certificate</u>

3.1 All MLC applicable ships of 500 gross tonnage and above must obtain a Declaration of Maritime Labour Compliance (DMLC) and a Maritime Labour Certificate.

3.2 The DMLC consists of Parts I and II, both of which Parts will need to be revised to include the amendments of 2014.

3.2.1 Marine Department will prepare and issue the revised DMLC Part I to shipowners no later than the due date of ships' first MLC renewal inspection.

3.2.2 Shipowners will be required to update their DMLC Part II to indicate their compliance with the new DMLC Part I.

3.3.3 After 18 January 2017, the process is to be done no later than the due date of the ship's first MLC renewal inspection

3.3 The entry into force of the amendments on 18 January 2017 will not affect the continued validity of ships' existing Maritime Labour Certificates and DMLCs until the due date of the ship's first MLC renewal inspection.

This is announced accordingly

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