Maritime Circular to Maritime Registrars, Shipowners, Masters, Managers & Operators of St. Kitts & Nevis Ships, Classification Societies, Recognised Organisations, Recognised Security Organisations, Surveyors of Ships & Flag State Inspectors to this SKANReg, Seafarers & IMO Member States


AMENDMENTS TO THE MARITIME LABOUR CONVENTION, 2006

This Maritime Circular is to inform Port State Control (PSC) Authorities that the Declarations of Maritime Labour Convention (DMLC) Part I, Part II and the Maritime Labour Convention Certificate issued in accordance with the Convention before 18th January 2017 will remain in force until the first renewal inspection following entry into force of the amendments, for all St. Kitts & Nevis registered vessels.

The Maritime Labour Convention Certificates and associated DMLC’s are not in any way intended to affect the rights and obligation of Members, Seafarers or Shipowners, including the obligation to ensure that all ships are covered by financial security in accordance with the Convention as amended, from the date when the amendments enter force.

From 18th January 2017, all St. Kitts & Nevis registered vessels should at all times, maintain on board evidence of:

1. Financial security (P&I Club or insurer) – Regulation 2.5 – Repatriation
2. Financial security (P&I Club or insurer) – Regulation 4.2 – Shipowners’ Liability

Both of the above shall be verified during the first intermediate inspection carried out on or after 18th January 2017.

Recognised Organisations (RO) authorised by this administration should include in the correspondent MLC checklist, the verification of 2 financial securities mentioned above and verify these requirements during the initial, intermediate and renewal inspections.

Amendments to the issued Maritime Labour Convention Certificates and associated DMLC’s Part I and Part II will be reflected from the first renewal inspection after the entry into force of the mentioned amendments.

This administration appreciates the special attention of Port State Control authorities to this subject from 18th January 2017.

Yours truly,

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