DIRECTORATE GENRAL OF SHIPPING-MUMBAI

ADVISORY NOTE

PORT STATE CONTROL- CONCENTRATED INSPECTION CAMPAIGN-2016

Concentrated inspection campaigns have been a particular feature of various port state MOU's in recent years. These concentrated inspections focus on specific areas where high levels of deficiencies have been encountered by PSCOs, or where new convention requirements have recently entered into force. The campaigns have typically been concentrated over periods of about 3 months from 1 September to 30 November each calendar year. Each MOU alone or along with cooperating MOU decide on a specific area for a detailed inspection during the period of CIC.

Port State Control actions associated with concentrated inspection campaign range from the issuing of deficiencies to more severe control measures such as detaining a ship to prevent it from going to sea in an unsafe condition. However, the purpose of CIC is not to detain ships, but rather to improve safety and compliance to relevant conventions. Ships are only subjected to one CIC inspection during the campaign.

Paris MOU

The Paris MOU will be running a CIC on the Maritime Labour Convention, 2006 (MLC, 2006) addressing the implementation of minimum standards for working and living conditions on board. Port State Control Officers (PSCOs) conducting routine PSC inspections during the currency of the CIC on all vessel types will use an additional checklist of twelve items to confirm the presence of compulsory documentation and certification associated with those employed on board, authenticate the inspection records of the living quarters, provisions and food preparation, and to confirm the establishment of a ship's safety committee.

The checklist can be downloaded from the website https://www.parismou.org/launch-concentrated-inspection-campaign-mlc2006

Asia Pacific, Black Sea, Indian Ocean and Vina Del Mar MOU

The Indian Ocean MOU will be operating a joint CIC with the Black Sea, Vina Del Mar and Asia Pacific MOUs focusing on the fulfillment of the on board procedures pertaining to cargo securing arrangements. When PSCOs are performing routine PSC inspections during the occurrence of the CIC on applicable vessel types, they will use an additional checklist focusing on eight areas to evaluate compliance with the relevant International Conventions, and check

that personal on board are familiar with the procedures, safe practices and hazards associated with cargo securing.

Caribbean MOU

The Caribbean MOU on PSC will be conducting a CIC dealing with crew familiarity with enclosed space entry, based on the joint Paris, Tokyo, Black Sea and Indian Ocean MOU's CIC of 2015 which addressed this issue.

PSCOs undertaking routine PSC inspections during the course of the CIC will use an additional checklist based on the 2015 joint CIC on Crew Familiarization for Enclosed Space Entry which had nine elements including checking crew familiarization with the identification and understanding of the hazards associated with enclosed space entry, the training of crewmembers responsible for testing an enclosed space's atmosphere, and familiarization with the use of gas concentration detection equipment. The PSCO will also require an enclosed space entry and rescue drill to be carried out as part of the inspection.

Riyadh MOU

The Riyadh MOU has revealed through a notification to other maritime authorities that they will be running a CIC on Pilot Transfer Arrangements to verify that the on board apparatus and operations fulfill the requirements under SOLAS and associated guidelines. Port State Control Officers (PSCOs) conducting routine PSC inspections during the currency of the CIC on all vessel types will use an additional checklist of twelve items to confirm that all equipment connected with pilot transfer operations is in order, and personnel involved in such transfers are accustomed with the requirements prescribed in the Annex of IMO Resolution A.1045(27) — Pilot Transfer Arrangements.

Information:

Following websites provide useful information and checklist for CIC:

Paris MOU (Europe and Canada); https://www.parismou.org/

Tokyo MOU (Pacific Ocean); http://www.tokyo-mou.org/

USCG (United States of America); http://www.uscg.mil/hg/cgcvc/cvc2/safety.asp

Caribbean MOU; http://www.caribbeanmou.org/

Mediterranean MOU; http://81.192.101.140/Home.aspx

Vina del Mar (South and Central America); http://www.acuerdolatino.int.ar/ciala/index.php

Indian Ocean MOU; http://www.iomou.org/

Abuja MOU (West and Central Atlantic Africa); http://www.abujamou.org/index.php

Black Sea MOU; http://www.bsmou.org/

Riyadh MOU (Persian Gulf); http://www.riyadhmou.org/

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