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MARINE SAFETY ADVISORY No. 26-16 Revised

To: Owners/Operators, Masters, Nautical Inspectors, Recognized Organizations

Subject: APPLICABILITY OF THE MANILA AMENDMENTS TO THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON STANDARDS OF TRAINING, CERTIFICATION AND WATCHKEEPING FOR SEAFARERS, 1978 (STCW) TO MARSHALL ISLANDS MINIMUM SAFE MANNING CERTIFICATES

Date: 29 September 2016

Republic of the Marshall Islands (RMI) Minimum Safe Manning Certificates (MSMCs) issued prior to 01 January 2017 that reference STCW Regulation II/4 and those that reference STCW Regulation II/4 or II/5 as an Able Seafarer requirement will remain valid, noting that it should be read as reflecting the following amendment:

GRADE/CAPACITY CERTIFICATE (STCW REGULATIONS)

Able Seafarer Deck II/5

The re-issuance of an MSMC issued before 01 January 2017 is optional.

A copy of this Marine Safety Advisory must be kept onboard the vessel with the MSMC for verification purposes until such time as an optional new MSMC is requested and issued.

This MSA expires one (1) year after its issuance, unless otherwise noted, extended, superseded, or revoked.