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FOR: Ship Owners, Ship Managers, Ship Operators, Ship Masters, Ship Officers, Classification Societies

SUBJECT: ACTIONS FOR PORT STATE CONTROL DETENTIONS

DEFINITIONS:

The following abbreviations stand for:

- “FSI” – Flag State Inspection
- “PSC” – Port State Control

The term “Administration” shall mean the Tuvalu Ship Registry.

PURPOSE:

This marine circular serves to inform ship owners / operators on the actions taken by the Administration when Tuvalu flagged vessels meet with PSC detentions.

This marine circular should be read together with marine circular MC-9/2005/1 - Authority of Recognized Organizations on Port State / Flag State Detentions.

The actions stated in this circular are in addition to those of marine circular MC-9/2005/1.

APPLICATION:

This marine circular applies to all Tuvalu flagged vessels that are subject to PSC inspections.

CONTENTS:

1. PSC Detention

   1.1. A Tuvalu flagged vessel that meets with a PSC detention shall be subject to a mandatory FSI that shall be arranged no later than three (3) months from the occurrence of the detention.

   1.2. All costs relating to the mandatory FSI mentioned in subsection 1.1 shall be borne by the ship owner / operator.

2. Cancellation of Registry

   2.1. The Administration reserves the right to delete the vessel from the Registry at any time after the occurrence of a PSC detention if the Administration, after reviewing the PSC deficiencies, is of the opinion that the vessel is unable to meet the standards required of a Tuvalu flagged vessel.

   2.2. In the event that the Administration cancels a vessel’s registry in accordance to subsection 2.1, then the mandatory FSI stated in section 1 shall not apply.

Yours sincerely,
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