ST. VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES
MARITIME ADMINISTRATION

CIRCULAR N° PSC 034
PARIS MoU REGION - PORT STATE CONTROL (PSC) INSPECTIONS WITH DEFICIENCIES WHICH DO NOT WARRANT DETENTION

TO: SHIPOWNERS, SHIPS’ OPERATORS AND MANAGERS, MASTERS, OFFICERS FLAG STATE’S INSPECTORS AND RECOGNIZED ORGANIZATIONS

APPLICABLE TO: ALL VESSELS

EFFECTIVE AS FROM: Date of this Circular

30th January 2018

When a PSC inspection reveals deficiencies which do not warrant a detention this Administration may require any or all of the following:

- Additional Safety Management Certificate (SMC) audit;
- Occasional survey;
- Additional Document of Compliance (DoC) audit or both.

The additional SMC audit should be in the scope of an initial SMC audit.

The scope of the occasional survey should be equivalent to Mandatory Annual Statutory Surveys.

The scope of an additional DoC audit should be to verify the course of actions taken by the Company for the rectification of the reported deficiencies and to check the following:

- Company’s SMS root cause analysis with regard of Port State Control (PSC), Flag State Inspection (FSI) or third party deficiencies;
- Corrective actions taken in the light of the ISM Code to avoid the recurrence of the reported deficiencies; and
- Preventive actions taken to avoid potential non conformities generated by PSC, FSI or third party deficiencies on the Company’s fleet.

The results of the investigation should be reported to this Administration by the Recognized Organization.

Vessels/Companies which do not comply with this Circular will be subject to fines and the vessels may be deleted at short notice.