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**MERCHANT MARINE CIRCULAR MMC-315**

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**To:** Ship-owners/Operators, Legal Representatives of Panamanian Flagged Vessels, Recognized Organizations (RO's), Panamanian Merchant Marine Consulates, Inspectorates, Authorized Offices, Regional Documentation Offices of the Panama Maritime Authority

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**Subject:** SPECIAL DISCOUNT ON SEAFARERS CERTIFICATION SERVICES

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**Reference:** Resolution J.D. No.046-2015 of June 25, 2015

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The purpose of this circular is to communicate the maritime sector that through the Official Gazette No.27817-A of July 6, 2015, is published the **Resolution J.D. No.046-2015 of June 25, 2015**, which shall come into force on January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016, through which is granted a discount of the fifty percent (50%) in certification services of foreigner seafarers working on board of Panama registered vessels, whose main service is passenger vessels (cruises), and that they must belong to an economic group maintaining more than ten (10) passenger vessels (cruise) registered on the Panama Merchant Marine.

Additionally, this Resolution establishes that beginning on January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016, the Ship Security Officer – SSO (Oficial de Protección de Buques) License and Electronic Chart Display and Information System (ECDIS) [Sistema de Información y Visualización de las Cartas Náuticas Electrónicas (SIVCE)], directed to Panamanians and foreigners seafarers working on board of Panama flagged vessels, will be considered as specialized course and will have a value of FIFTY DOLLARS WITH <sup>00</sup>/<sub>100</sub> (USD50.00) each one.

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