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To: Shipowners/Operators, Legal Representatives of Panama-Flag Vessels, Authorized Maritime Training Centers, Recognized Organizations (RO's), Merchant Marine Privative Consulates, Inspectorates, Authorized Offices, Departments/Units/Areas of the Directorate of Seafarers, Regional Documentation Offices of the Panama Maritime Authority

Subject: Circular MSC.1/Circ.1163 (last version) of the IMO (White List)

Reference: Circular DGGM-UCYC-049-2016

1. This document has the aim of communicating, to the users of the Panamanian Registry, that in compliance with the Regulations I/2 and I/10 of the Convention STCW'78, as amended, and in reference to the Circular MSC.1/Circ.1163 (the latest revision), of the International Maritime Organization (IMO), which lists the State Parties which have demonstrated that full and complete effect is given to the provisions of the Convention STCW'78, as amended, (White List), this Maritime Administration will recognize the Certificate of Competency (CoC) issued by:

Albania	Cambodia	Ecuador
Algeria	Canada	Egypt
Antigua and Barbuda	Cape Verde	El Salvador
Argentina	Chile	Eritrea
Australia	China*	Estonia
Azerbaijan	Colombia	Ethiopia
Bahamas (the)	Comoros	Fiji
Bahrain	Cook Islands (the)	Finland
Bangladesh	Côte d'Ivoire	France
Barbados	Croatia	Georgia
Belgium	Cuba	Germany
Belize	Cyprus	Ghana
Brazil	Czech Republic	Greece
Brunei Darussalam	Denmark**	Guatemala
Bulgaria	Dominica	Honduras
Hungary	Mauritius	Seychelles

Iceland	Mexico	Singapore
India	Micronesia (Federated States of)	Slovak Republic
Indonesia	Montenegro*****	Slovenia
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	Morocco	Solomon Islands
Ireland	Mozambique	South Africa
Italy	Myanmar	Spain
Israel	Netherlands***	Sri Lanka
Jamaica	New Zealand	Sweden
Japan	Nigeria	Switzerland
Jordan	Norway	Thailand
Kenya	Oman	Togo
Kiribati	Pakistan	Tonga
Kuwait	Papua New Guinea	Trinidad and Tobago
Latvia	Peru	Tunisia
Lebanon	Philippines	Turkey
Liberia	Poland	Tuvalu
Lithuania	Portugal	Ukraine
Luxembourg	Qatar	United Arab Emirates
Libya	Republic of Korea	United Kingdom****
Madagascar	Romania	United Republic of Tanzania
Malaysia	Russian Federation	United States
Malawi	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	Uruguay
Maldives	Samoa	Vanuatu
Malta	Saudi Arabia	Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)
Marshall Islands	Senegal	Viet Nam
Mauritania	Serbia*****	

* Includes: Hong Kong, China (Associate Member to the IMO)

** Includes: Faroe Islands (Associate Member to the IMO)

*** Includes: Aruba, Curacao and St. Maarten

**** Includes: Bermuda, British Virgin Islands, Cayman Islands, Gibraltar, Isle of Man

***** Part of ex. Yugoslavia. As from 4 February 2003, the name of the State of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia was changed to Serbia and Montenegro. Following the dissolution of the State of Serbia and Montenegro on 3 June 2006, all treaty actions relating to the provisions of the STCW Convention undertaken by Serbia and Montenegro continue to be in force with respect to the Republic of Serbia and the Republic of Montenegro with effect from the same date, i.e. 3 June 2006.

2. However, this Maritime Administration, may reserve the right not to recognize the Certificate of Competency (CoC) and Certificates of Proficiency (CoP) issued by some of the State Parties listed in the Circular MSC.1/Circ.1163 (the latest revision).

3. Likewise, it is informed that by this Circular are revoked and derogated the:
 - 3.1. Circular DGGM-UCYC-016-2014, of August 14th of 2014, regarding the modifications to the Circular DGGM-UCYC-014-2014 and its counterpart, the Merchant Marine's Circular MMC-295. And,

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- 3.2. Circular DGGM-UCYC-014-2014, of July 30th, 2014, concerning the Panamanian endorsements and certificates, and its counterpart, the Merchant Marine's Circular MMC-293.
4. Likewise, the Circulars are still revoked and derogated the:
- 4.1. Circular DGGM-UCYC-004-2014, of January 14th of 2014, concerning the certificate process for the Government of Antigua y Barbuda.
 - 4.2. Circular DGGM-UCYC-003-2014, of January 14th of 2014, concerning the certificate process for the Republic of Mata and the Government of New Zealand.
 - 4.3. Circular No.DGGM-UCYC-022-2013, of October 31st of 2013, concerning the certificate process of the Republic of Singapore, Liberia and Marshall Islands. And,
 - 4.4. Circular No.DGGM-005-2011, February 28th of 2011, concerning the Assessment process (competency evaluation/assessment).

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