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To: Owners/Operators of Panamanian flag Vessels, Class Societies and Authorized Organizations

Subject: Radio Direction Finder Apparatus Exemption Certificate

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As a new policy of this Administration, Omission Letters for the Radio Direction Finder Apparatus will no longer be issued. Any Omission Letter issued before October 5th of 1999 will be valid until next renewal of the Safety Equipment Certificate.

This Administration has resolved to issue an Exemption Certificate for this item from this date and on, in compliance with the SOLAS, Consolidated Edition, 1997.

The new Radio Direction Finder Apparatus Exemption Certificate will also be valid until next renewal of the Safety Equipment Certificate.

This new policy will be enforced after October 5th of 1999.

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