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MERCHANT MARINE NOTICE

The purpose of this Marine Notice is to inform users that after the annual review of the statistics regarding detentions of Panamanian flagged vessels by Port State Control Authorities members of the Tokyo MOU, Paris MOU as well as the USCG during 2014, this Administration has decided that in order to reduce recurrence and clean the records of detentions to improve the performance, all Panamanian vessels that have been detained during 2014 may be subject to a Flag State Control inspection previously or upon arrival at any port of a country member of these memorandum or at any port of the USA.

Also we would like remind that all new registered Panamanian vessels shall be subject to a Flag State Control inspection. Please, as soon as possible kindly contact to coordinate with our Flag State Control Section at asi@amp.gob.pa.

All Panamanian vessels detained during the year 2015, will be subject to the aforementioned.

Please take into consideration the measures contained in this marine notice and inform accordingly to all masters and crew members of bulk carriers so they verify and become familiar with the procedures to operate the Hyper Mist Water System, especially since we have received an increment in detentions at New Orleans by the USCG regarding this matter.

We would like to remind all operators/owners of vessels registered under the Panama Maritime Flag, that it is mandatory to send a copy of the PSC report whether the PSC has detected any deficiency or not, and also when there is a detention, in accordance to MMC-172 to the following e-mail address: psc@amp.gob.pa.

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Inquiries concerning the subject of this instrument should be directed to:
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