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Merchant Shipping Notice No. 01 of 2016

Subject : **Authorization to Palau Maritime Administration to issue Wreck Removal Certificate in accordance with Nairobi International Convention on the Removal of Wrecks**

Ref A : Ministry of Shipping letter No.18.019.018.00.00.001.2013-130
dated 23 February 2016

Ref B: Nairobi International Convention on the Removal of Wrecks

1. The purpose of this Merchant Shipping notice is to provide the guidelines to be followed in order to obtain Certificate in accordance with the Nairobi International Convention on the Removal of Wrecks, taking into account that this Convention entered into force on 14 April 2015 as well as the firm interest of this Administration to ratify the said Convention in the near future.
2. As the Nairobi International Convention on the Removal of Wrecks establishes it in Article 12.1 "the registered owner of a ship of 300 gross tonnage and above and flying the flag of a State Party shall be required to maintain insurance or other financial security, such as a guarantee of a bank or similar institution, to cover liability under this Convention in an amount equal to the limits of liability under the applicable national or international limitation regime, but in all cases not exceeding an amount calculated in accordance with article 6(1)(b) of the Convention on Limitation of Liability for Maritime Claims, 1976, as amended".
3. Being also the Nairobi International Convention on the Removal of Wrecks, on Article 12.2 establishes that "a certificate attesting that insurance or other financial security is in force in accordance with the provisions of this Convention shall be issued to each ship of 300 gross tonnage and above by the appropriate authority of the state of the ship's registry after determining that the requirements of paragraph 1 have been complied with". And also that, States that have already ratified the Convention may not allow vessels, to which this convention applies, to enter or leave their ports upon entry into force of this convention.
4. Until this Administration finalizes the formal process of ratifying the Nairobi International Convention of the Removal of Wrecks, Owners/Operators, or

Representatives of Bangladesh flagged vessels are strongly urged to follow the procedures set up by this Administration:

4.1 This Administration informs that it will only recognize those certificates that are issued by the Palau International Ship Registry or any other, maritime administration approved by the government of Bangladesh. Any of these administrations will issue a Certificate of Insurance or other Financial Security in Respect of Civil Liability for Nairobi International Convention on the Removal of Wrecks to vessels flying the Bangladesh flag.

4.2 In order to obtain the certification through the Palau International Ship Registry, you should address your request to the following contact:

PALAU INTERNATIONAL SHIP REGISTRY
16701 Greenspoint Park Drive, Suite 155
Houston, Texas, 77060
P: 2818769533
Email: technical@palaushipregistry.com
Person in charge: Marisabel Arauz Park, Technical Manage

4.3 Please be advised, that the certificate issued by Palau International Ship Registry shall be accepted by the other Parties of the Convention due to the fact that Palau Administration have ratified this Convention.

5. Notwithstanding the above, owners may seek compliance with article 7 as specified in the International Convention on Civil Liability for Nairobi International Convention on the Removal of Wrecks; but the Department of Shipping, Ministry of Shipping can not give support to owners/operators facing problems trying to get the certification through the authority of a State Party different than the above mentioned Administration.

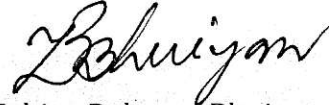
Note: This procedure shall be considered until Bangladesh ratifies the Nairobi International Convention on the Removal of Wrecks. Once Bangladesh ratifies this Convention, this Administration will notify all vessels flying the Bangladesh flag the procedures to be followed in order to obtain the Nairobi International Convention on the Removal of Wrecks issued by this Administration, which will be valid throughout the validity of the insurance or other financial security. However, if the vessel is holding a certificate issued by another Member State, it will be valid until its expiry date.



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4. General Manager, RINA Bangladesh Ltd, Lokman Tower (7th Floor), 1646- Sk. Mujib Road, Pathantuly, Double Mooring, Chittagong.
5. General Manager, LLOYD's Register Asia., House No. 267, Road No. 3 DOHS Baridhara, Dhaka-1206.
6. General Manager, Germanischer Lloyd Bangladesh Ltd, DNV.GL Maritime, HBFC Building (4th Floor), 1/D Agrabad C/A, Chittagong.
7. General Manager, American Bureau of Shipping, 3rd Floor, PHP House, 31, Agrabad C/A, Chittagong.
8. All Bangladeshi Ship-owners/Operators,

Copy for information:

1. Secretary, Ministry of Shipping, Dhaka (Atten: Additional Secretary (Admn))
2. Chief Engineer & Ship Surveyor, Department of Shipping, Dhaka.