TO: ALL SHIPOWERS, OPERATORS, MASTERS AND OFFICERS OF MERCHANT SHIPS, AGENTS AND RECOGNIZED ORGANIZATIONS

SUBJECT: Familiarization with Liberian National Maritime Legislation

Reference: (a) RLM-107 Maritime Law, as amended
(b) RLM-108 Maritime Regulations
(c) RLM-118 Requirements for Seafarer Certification
(d) International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping, 1978, as amended - Regulation I/10, 2.

Supersedes: Marine Notice ADM-006, dated 11/02

PURPOSE:

This Notice advises seafarers of the requirements for familiarization with Liberian National Maritime Legislation and the need for compliance to assure safe and effective ship operations and protection of the marine environment.

APPLICABILITY:

The new requirements apply to Masters and Chief Mates intending to sail on ships of 500 gross tonnage or more and Chief Engineers and First Assistant Engineers intending to sail on ships powered by main propulsion machinery of 750 kW propulsion power or more who are applicants for an officer's Certificate of Competency at the management level under the provisions of the STCW, Regulation I/10, 2.

REQUIREMENTS:

A person holding a valid certificate issued by a State fully applying the provisions of the International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping, 1978, as amended, and who is not otherwise disqualified in the opinion of the Deputy Commissioner or other official to whom application is made, must be familiar with the Liberian National Maritime Legislation relevant to the functions to be performed by the applicant for which he or she has applied for certification in order to be considered eligible for an equivalent Liberian Certificate.

RLM-105A, is required reading for management level ship's officer candidates is available from the Administration to provide general guidance on related Liberian National Maritime Legislation. See Marine Notice ADM-002 and Publication RLM-118.

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