13 April 2016

Marine Advisory: 05/2016

SUBJECT: Government of Japan Action Regarding Ships Calling at North Korean Ports

Reference: IMO Circular Letter No. 3628

To: All Owners, Operators and Masters of Liberian Flagged Vessels

Dear Owner/Operator/Master:

This Advisory provides information on a recent communication from the Government of Japan which advises that North Korean vessels and all vessels that dock at North Korean ports are banned from entering Japan’s ports.

Owners, Operators and Masters of Liberian flagged vessels are invited to take note of this information and take action as appropriate.

For additional information, please contact the Liberian Registry’s Investigations Department at Investigations@liscr.com or at telephone number (703) 790-3434.

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To: IMO Members
Intergovernmental organizations
Non-governmental organizations in consultative status

Subject: Communication from the Government of Japan

On 10 March 2016, the Embassy of Japan to the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland forwarded the attached communication which it has requested be circulated by the Organization.

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The Embassy of Japan in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland presents its compliments to the Secretary-General of the International Maritime Organization, and has the honour to inform the Secretary-General that the Government of Japan bans the entry of all North Korean flag vessels and those vessels which are identified as having entered ports in North Korea through procedures based on Japan’s laws and regulations.

The Embassy has further the honour to request that the information be circulated to all member states, inter-governmental organizations and non-governmental organizations.

The Embassy of Japan in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Secretary-General of the International Maritime Organization the assurances of its highest consideration.

10 March 2016