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HONG KONG MERCHANT SHIPPING INFORMATION NOTE

Unified Interpretations and Amendments to the Unified Interpretations of SOLAS Chapter II-2, the FSS and FTP Codes

To: Shipowners, Ship Managers, Ship Operators, Ship Masters, Classification Societies and Shipbuilders

Summary

The purpose of this Note is to promulgate the Unified Interpretations and the amendments to the Unified Interpretations of SOLAS Chapter II-2, the FSS and FTP Codes.

- 1. The Maritime Safety Committee (MSC) of the International Maritime Organization (IMO) at its 95th session in June 2015 approved circulars MSC.1/Circ.1501, 1505, 1510 and 1511 regarding the Unified Interpretations and the amendments to the Unified Interpretations of SOLAS Chapter II-2, the FSS and FTP Codes in order to provide more specific interpretation in relation to the relevant matters in paragraph 2.
- 2. The amendments involve the following:-

<u>Circular</u>	Chapter/Reg.	Matters of concern
MSC.1/Circ.1501	II-2/16.3.3	Products requiring oxygen-dependent inhibitors
MSC.1/Circ.1505	II-2/13.6	Specific guidance on means of escape from ro-ro spaces
MSC.1/Circ.1510		Typical arrangements for prevention of heat transmission at intersections and terminal points of insulation of decks and/or bulkheads (Amendment to appendix to the annex to MSC/Circ.1120)
MSC.1/Circ.1511	II-2/9 and II-2/13	Specific guidance on containment of fire and means of escape

- 3. The IMO circulars MSC.1/Circ.1501, 1505, 1510 and 1511 as attachment to this Note can be found on the website of Marine Department (http://www.mardep.gov.hk/en/msnote/msin.html).
- 4. Shipowners, ship managers, ship operators, ship masters, classification societies and shipbuilders of Hong Kong registered ships are required to use the unified interpretations and amended unified interpretations when applying relevant requirements.

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