United Nations Sanctions (Somalia) (Amendment) Regulation 2012

To: Shipowners, Ship Managers and Masters

Summary

The Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) gazetted the United Nations Sanctions (Somalia) (Amendment) Regulation 2012 (L.N. 142 of 2012) (the ‘Amendment Regulation’) on 28 September 2012. The ‘Amendment Regulation’, which came into effect on 28 September 2012, amends existing sanctions against Somalia to prohibit the importation of charcoal from Somalia, and also the supply, sale, transfer or carriage of weapons or military equipment to Somalia.


2. The ‘Amendment Regulation’ mainly provides for the prohibition against the importation of charcoal from Somalia. The United Nations Sanctions (Somalia) Regulation (Cap. 537 sub. leg. AN), as amended by this ‘Amendment Regulation’, also gives effect to previous Resolutions of the United Nations Security Council by providing for the:

(a) prohibition against the supply, sale, transfer or carriage of weapons or military equipment;

(b) prohibition against the provision of advice, assistance or training in certain circumstances;

(c) prohibition against making available to, or for the benefit of, certain persons or entities any funds or other financial assets or economic resources;
(d) prohibition against dealing with funds or other financial assets or economic resources owned by or otherwise belonging to, or held by, certain persons or entities; and

(e) prohibition against entry into or transit through the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region by certain persons.

3. Details of the L.N. 142 of 2012 can be found as an annex to this Note on the website of Marine Department (http://www.mardep.gov.hk/en/msnote/msin.html).

4. Owners, managers and masters of Hong Kong registered ships should abide by the regulation mentioned above.

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