Unified Interpretations of the 1969 TM Convention

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

Summary

The purpose of this Note is to promulgate the unified interpretations of the 1969 TM Convention in relation to heat exchangers (coolers) fitted on the hull.

1. The Maritime Safety Committee of the International Maritime Organization (IMO), at its 96th session in May 2016 approved a circular MSC.1/Circ.1546 on the unified interpretations of the 1969 TM Convention in relation to heat exchangers (coolers) fitted on the hull, with a view to ensuring a uniform approach towards the application of the relevant provisions of the 1969 TM Convention.

2. The IMO circular MSC.1/Circ.1546 as an attachment to this Note can be found on the webpage of Marine Department (http://www.mardep.gov.hk/en/msnote/msin.html).

3. Shipowners, ship managers, masters, classification societies and shipbuilders of Hong Kong registered ships are required to use the unified interpretation when applying the relevant provisions of the 1969 TM Convention.

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