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HONG KONG MERCHANT SHIPPING INFORMATION NOTE

Coming into Force of Amended Hong Kong Legislation

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

Summary

The purpose of this Note is to draw the attention of the parties concerned to the coming into force of a piece of amended Hong Kong legislation which implements the latest requirements of the International Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Liquefied Gases in Bulk (the IGC Code) adopted by the International Maritime Organization (IMO). The amended legislation will come into operation on 9 July 2018.

1. To implement the latest requirements of the IGC Code adopted by IMO, the Secretary for Transport and Housing has made the following regulation under the Merchant Shipping (Safety) Ordinance (Cap. 369) —

Merchant Shipping (Safety) (Gas Carriers) (Amendment) Regulation 2018 (the Regulation).

The Regulation will come into operation on 9 July 2018.

- The Regulation amends the Merchant Shipping (Safety) (Gas Carriers) Regulations 2. (Cap. 369Z). Apart from implementing the latest requirements of the IGC Code, a new penalty provision for failing to deliver an International Certificate of Fitness for the Carriage of Liquefied Gases in Bulk on demand or keep the certificate on board is also added to Cap. 369Z. Please refer to the Regulation as attached to this information note as Annex for details. It could Department: also be found in the following website of Marine https://www.mardep.gov.hk/en/msnote/msin.html.
- 3. Shipowners, Ship Managers, Ship Operators, Masters, Classification Societies and Shipbuilders are required to take note and comply with the requirements of the amended regulation.

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