Operational considerations for managing Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) cases/outbreak on board ships

To: Shipowners, Ship Managers, Ship Operators and Masters

Summary

The purpose of this Note is to promulgate IMO Circular Letter No. 4204/Add.3 on the interim guidance on “Operational considerations for managing COVID-19 cases/outbreak on board ships” prepared by World Health Organization (WHO).

1. On 2 March 2020, IMO issued Circular Letter No. 4204/Add.3 to disseminate the interim guidance on “Operational considerations for managing COVID-19 cases/outbreak on board ships” prepared by WHO.

2. The interim guidance as attached to this Note provides information for ships to help prevent, detect and manage suspected COVID-19 infections.

3. Shipowners, ship managers, ship operators and masters are informed to note the information and act accordingly.

4. Any enquiries in relation to this Note may contact the Senior Surveyor of the Maritime Policy Branch at telephone number 2852 4395 or by e-mail to “hkmpd@mardep.gov.hk”.

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