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Security and Quality Advisory No. 42 Directions and refusal of access to Australian ports

The Australian Maritime Safety Authority (AMSA) has recently issued the Marine Notice 03/2015 warning operators that their vessels may be refused to enter Australian ports due to poor Port State Control records or sub-standard performance of the related ship operator. Refusal of access to the Australian ports can be up to 24 months. This Marine Notice 03/2015 can be downloaded from the following web linkage:

https://apps.amsa.gov.au/MOReview/Attachment/ShowAttachment/1926

All parties concerned are required to note the information contained in the Marine Notice 03/2015. To ensure Hong Kong registered ships will not be refused to enter Australian ports, they must be properly maintained and to comply with all relevant safety standards, international labour conventions and marine pollution prevention regulations.

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