

TECHNICAL CIRCULAR

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TO SHIP OWNER/SHIP MANAGER/INTERESTED PARTIES

Maritime Labour Convention 2006: Amendments 2018

Ship Owners and Managers are advised that 2018 amendments to the Maritime Labour Convention, 2006 (MLC 2006) will enter into force on 26 December 2020.

The amendments were approved at the 107th session of the International Labour Conference which were held in June 2018.

The mandatory requirements of the amendments to the Code could be summarized as follows:

1) Standard A2.1

A new paragraph is added to ensure the Seafarer's Employment Agreements shall continue to have effect while a seafarer is held captive on or off the ship as a result of acts of piracy or armed robbery against ships.

2) Standard A2.2

A new paragraph is added to ensure wages and other entitlements under the Seafarer's Employments Agreement shall continue to be paid during the entire period of captive and until the seafarer is released and duly repatriated or dies in captivity.

Ship Owners should review their policies and procedures to ensure that they are in compliant with the above requirements by the time they enter into force on 26 December 2020. Furthermore, if a Flag State Administration revises DMLC Part I, please apply to the Administration for the issuance of DMLC Part I.

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