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**Subject: "Joint Concentrated Inspection Campaign (C.I.C.) on FIRE SAFETY
(Sept. – Nov. 2023)"**



Summary: The Member Authorities of the Paris and Tokyo Memoranda of Understanding (MoU) on Port State Control (PSC), as well as the Black Sea Region (BS MoU), have launched a joint Concentrated Inspection Campaign (CIC) on fire safety, taking place from 1st September to 30th November 2023, focusing on fire safety requirements, both from a technical and operational aspect.

1. The campaign will examine specific areas related to fire safety in conjunction with the regular Port State Control inspection. A ship will be subject to only one inspection under this CIC during the period of the campaign.
2. The 2023 joint Concentrated Inspection Campaign (CIC) by the Tokyo, Paris MoUs as well as the Black Sea Region (BS MoU), Port State Control (PSC) regimes have likely been triggered by the large number of fire safety-related deficiencies recorded over many years. Inspections conducted by the US Coast Guard over the past few years have yielded similar worrying results.
3. The CIC on Fire Safety, with the primary objective of enhancing safety at sea, aims to verify the ship's compliance with fire safety requirements contained in the relevant IMO instruments. Additionally, the CIC seeks to raise awareness among the ship crew and owners about the importance of implementing effective fire safety measures.
4. The Port State Control Offices (PSCOs) will use a list of ten (10) selected questions developed by the Tokyo and Paris MOUs to assess that fire-fighting systems and equipment comply with the relevant requirements, that the master and crew members are familiar with operations relating to fire safety, and that equipment is properly maintained and functioning (The Paris and Tokyo MOUs' official CIC questionnaire can be found as per below link:

[Paris MoU - Press Release Concentrated Inspection Campaign on Fire Safety 2023](#)

MAC Recommendation

5. MAC S.A. strongly recommends to its customers operating & managing vessels under various registries in close cooperation with the respective Recognized Organizations and Classification Societies., to use this CIC as a reminder of the importance of ensuring the readiness of the shore organization, crew, and equipment in case of fire-related emergencies, with the overall

aim to ensure that the integrity of fire safety measures onboard ships is maintained per applicable rules and regulations and that systems and equipment are readily available for operation at all times.



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