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PRESS RELEASE

Concentrated Inspection Campaign (CIC) on Cargo Securing Arrangements 01 September to 30 November 2016

The member Authorities of the Indian Ocean Memorandum of Understanding (IOMOU) will embark on a concentrated inspection campaign (CIC) on Cargo Securing Arrangements. The three month campaign will start on September 1, 2016 and end on November 30, 2016. The campaign shall be conducted simultaneously with the Tokyo MoU.

The purpose of this CIC is to verify that there is compliance with the procedures and measures that are in place on cargo securing arrangements on board ships meeting applicable requirements of the SOLAS and related guidelines. During the campaign period, member Authorities of the IOMOU will inspect within the resources available, as many ships as possible in conjunction with routine port State control inspections.

Port State Control Officers (PSCOs) will apply a questionnaire listing eight selected areas to be covered during the concentrated inspection. The areas includes cargo securing manual, familiarization with the cargo securing manual, lashings/fittings, sufficient availability of cargo securing devices onboard, and follow of the Cargo Safe Access Plan. The questionnaire developed by the Tokyo MoU has been annexed to this press release.

Deficiencies found during the inspection will be recorded by the PSCOs and actions may vary from recording a deficiency and instructing the master to rectify it within a certain period to detaining the ship until serious deficiencies have been rectified. The results of the campaign will be analyzed and findings will be presented to the IOMOU Committee for submission to the International Maritime Organization.

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