## To whomsoever it may concern

## Subject: ISM/ ISPS/ MLC Documents to be available in English.

- Maritime Cook Islands identified ISM failure as the major cause of detention for their fleet in Paris MoU where number of cases were related to language of documentation.
- Based on above Administration has advised vide a circular 144/2017 that following documents are required to be available in English also along with the working language of the vessel.

1. ISM:

ISM forms, Official Log Books, Safety Management Manual
2. ISPS:

Ship Security Plan
3. MLC:

Working/rest hours

- The ISM companies are free to decide if they want to use only the English language or both (if working language of vessel is different from English).
- In cases where above documents are not available in English, companies are required to take immediate action to have the documents translated and make them available on board their vessels.
- Ship owners / operators and masters are advised to be guided by above.


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