To whomsoever it may concern


- International Merchant Marine Registry of Belize (IMMARBE) has issued a merchant marine notice MMN-17-004 regarding issuance of Minimum Safe Manning Certificate in accordance with 2010 Manila amendment to STCW convention.

- 2010 Manila Amendments to STCW Convention requires seafarers to carry certificates and flag endorsements meeting new regulations as per 2010 amendments to STCW Convention, however neither Resolution MSC.1/Circ.1560 nor Resolution A.1047(27) includes re-issuance of Minimum Safe Manning Certificate (MSMC).

- Inclusion of regulation II/5-Able Seafarer Deck and III/5-Able Seafarer Engine by 2010 Manila Amendments to STCW convention affects crew members certified in accordance with regulation II/4-Rating forming part of a navigational watch and regulation III/4-Rating forming part of a watch in manned engine room or designated to perform duties in a periodically unmanned engine-room.

- These new regulations are for crew members with higher qualifications with respect to other two regulations.

- In order to avoid adverse or unwanted situations during Port State Control or concern inspections; administration has decided to process the re-issuance of existing MSMC to include new regulations in accordance with 2010 Manila Amendments to STCW convention and code.

- Administration will make reference to both regulations and all new and re-issued MSMC will contain below information:
  a. Watch keeping Deck Rating- Reg. II/4 or II/5
  b. Watch keeping Engine Rating- Reg. III/4 or III/5

- Existing MSMC will be reissued with a reduced cost of USD 100.00 and request for the same is to be made to the administration at techsupport@immarbe.com; jrtechnicalofficer@immarbe.com or technicalofficer@immarbe.com

- Ship owners/ operators and masters are advised to be guided by above

Enclosure:

1. Belize Merchant Marine Notice MMN-17-004.
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