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Corrigendum No 1 to M.S. Notice No.4 of 2017 dated 18/05/2017

Subject: Flag State Inspection of Indian vessels

1. The Merchant Shipping Notice 4 of 2017 was framed to verify compliance of Indian Flag vessels with Statutory requirements and also to achieve the following objectives:
 - Monitoring the performance of Recognized Organization.
 - Rewarding good performance of Indian Flag vessels in Port State Inspections by way of waiver of Flag State inspections/General Examination.
 - Increasing the focus of surprise Flag state inspections without complaints on vessels managed by Companies with a history of PSC/FSI detentions and old vessels.
2. To achieve the above objectives, following measures have been prescribed and specified in the MS Notice 4 of 2017:
 - a) Conduct of FSI within 1-3 months after Annual/Intermediate/Renewal as per schedule based on age of the vessel. Compliance to this schedule to be verified at Annual DOC audit and the corrective and preventive action shall include increase in FSI frequency as a measure to prevent re-occurrence.
 - b) Exemption from next FSI/General Examination, if the vessel performance is good in all the Port State Inspections conducted since last FSI and in any of the ports under Paris MOU, AMSA or USCG and in certain ports under TOKYO MOU.
 - c) Surprise Flag state inspections (conducted by the Surveyor on his own) have been continued as per Clause D.1 of MS Notice 4 of 2017; however, it has been advised that the selection of ships for surprise inspection may be based upon age of the vessel and/or managed by a company with poor FSI/PSC records. To prevent surprise FSI as a hindrance in RO Monitoring, it was decided that surprise FSI shall not be considered for the purpose of minimum number of scheduled FSI based on the age of the vessel, unless recommended by the Principal Officer, after a review of the surprise FSI inspection report.
3. It is brought to the notice of the Directorate that many Owners have approached Mercantile Marine Department for conduct of FSI three (3) months after last Annual/Intermediate/Renewal survey. Allowing every owner to offer their vessels for FSI after 3 months of last surveys or conduct of FSI along with annual surveys may not serve the objective of monitoring Recognized Organizations. Therefore, in line with the Corrective and Preventive action mentioned in Clause "F" of MS Notice 4 of 2017, FSI to be conducted for all such request and to dissuade repetition of such request, an additional FSI, 3 months after the conduct of this FSI to be imposed. The imposition of additional

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FSI is to be reported in the remarks column of FSCIS on-line reporting system and to be conveyed to the Recognized Organization for inclusion in the survey status for easy monitoring.

4. It has also come to the notice of the Directorate that few MMD Surveyors are under the impression that the MS Notice 4 of 2017 does not allow the conduct of normal flag state inspections. It is to bring to the notice of all concerned that the FSI regime implemented by the Directorate is based on conduct of scheduled (based on age and owners request) and surprise flag state inspections, with a preferred gap of six months between two surprise flag state inspections apart from an inspection on complaint. This was also the case with MS Notice 19 of 2013 which is superseded by the MS Notice 4 of 2017; however, to prevent frequent FSI inspections and harassment, certain non-mandatory recommendations were made in MS Notice 4 of 2017, with regards to selection of ships for surprise inspection without complaints.
5. To prevent confusion, the FSI report to be handed over to the Master and the remarks column of on-line reporting system are required to indicate the type of FSI inspection: i) surprise without complaint (normal FSI conducted by the Surveyor on his own), ii) on receipt of complaint or iii) scheduled.

This Corrigendum to MS Notice 4 of 2017 is issued with the approval of the Competent Authority.

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