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For the attention of: SRS owners, Managers, Operators and Masters

Advisory for Singapore-Registered Ships on Maintaining Shipboard Security Vigilance

Maritime security risks may arise in different operating environments and are not limited to areas for which specific security advisories have been issued. The Singapore Ship Registry (SRS) therefore advises all Singapore-registered ships to maintain vigilance and an appropriate security posture throughout their operations.

2 Shipowners, operators and masters are reminded to comply with the applicable requirements of SOLAS Chapter XI-2 and the International Ship and Port Facility Security (ISPS) Code, and to ensure that security measures and procedures set out in the ship's approved Ship Security Plan (SSP) are effectively implemented.

3 In particular, shipowners, operators and masters are advised to:

- Conduct appropriate security risk assessments, taking into account the ship's intended voyage, ports of call, anchorages, prevailing threat environment and relevant security information;
- Review and implement the security measures and procedures contained in the approved SSP in accordance with the prevailing security level, and implement additional measures where warranted by the assessed risk;
- Maintain effective access control to the ship, including appropriate monitoring of embarkation points, restricted areas and waterside access, and ensure that persons boarding the ship are appropriately identified and authorised;
- Maintain appropriate security watches and patrols, particularly when at anchor or alongside, taking into account the prevailing security risk and local circumstances;
- Ensure that security equipment and systems are maintained in operational readiness and that shipboard personnel are familiar with their security duties, emergency procedures and actions to be taken in the event of a security threat or incident;
- Monitor relevant navigational warnings, security advisories and information issued by coastal States and recognised maritime security organisations, and maintain regular communication with the Company Security Officer (CSO);
- Promptly report security-related incidents, attempted or actual unauthorised boarding,

suspicious activities or other security concerns to the Singapore Ship Registry and the relevant coastal authorities including the Police Coast Guard (PCG) for incidents occurring within Singapore waters as appropriate; and

- Regularly review shipboard security arrangements and reinforce security awareness among crew members, taking into account lessons learnt from security incidents and changes in the operating environment.

4 Ships operating in or intending to enter areas for which SRS has issued specific security advisories should continue to refer to and comply with the recommendations in those advisories, as applicable. These advisories address the particular or heightened threats prevailing in the relevant areas and complement the security measures required under the ISPS Code and the ship's approved SSP.

5 SRS and the Information Fusion Centre (IFC) will continue to monitor maritime security developments and provide relevant information, guidance, and support to Singapore-registered ships as necessary.

6 Thank you for your continued cooperation in safeguarding the safety and security of Singapore-registered ships and their crews.

The Singapore Ship Registry, the Information Fusion Centre (Singapore) and the Police Coast Guard