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**Applicable to:** This circular should be brought to the attention to all Singapore ship-owners, ship-managers and shipmasters of Singapore ships and the shipping community

**UPDATES ON UN SECURITY COUNCIL SANCTIONS AGAINST IRAN**

On 20 July 2015, the United Nations Security Council unanimously adopted United Nations Security Council Resolution (UNSCR) 2231 (2015) endorsing the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA) that had been concluded. UNSCR 2231 (2015) provides for the termination of the provisions of previous UNSCRs on Iran. Please refer to **Annex 1** of this circular for the complete text of UNSCR 2231 (2015).

2 The relevant text on termination is found in Operating Paragraphs (OP) 5 to 7 of UNSCR 2231 (2015). In particular, OP 7 stated that the UN Security Council: -

*Decides*, acting under Article 41 of the Charter of the United Nations, that, upon receipt by the Security Council of the report from the IAEA described in paragraph 5:

- a) The provisions of resolutions 1696(2006), 1737(2006), 1747(2007), 1803(2008), 1835(2008), 1929(2010) and 2224(2015) shall be terminated;
- b) All States shall comply with paragraphs 1, 2, 4 and 5 and the provisions in subparagraphs (a)-(f) of paragraph 6 of Annex B for the duration specified in each paragraph or subparagraph, and are called upon to comply with paragraphs 3 and 7 of Annex B;

3 On 16 January 2016, the Security Council received the report from the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) confirming that Iran has taken a series of nuclear-related actions specified in paragraphs 15.1-15.11 of Annex V to the JCPOA. More information may be found on United Nations website: <http://www.un.org/en/sc/2231/>. Accordingly, the provisions of the UNSCR relating to Iran, including UNSCR 1737 (2006), UNSCR 1747 (2007), UNSCR 1803 (2008) and UNSCR 1929 (2010) have been terminated.

4 Your attention is drawn specifically to OP 7(b) of UNSCR 2231 (2015) which requires States to comply with paragraphs 1, 2, 4 and 5 of Annex B to the UNSCR 2231 (2015). The specific restrictions established by Annex B to the UNSCR 2231 (2015) can be found in **Annex 2** of this circular.

5 Please be reminded that in accordance with Section 43 of the Merchant Shipping Act, any Singapore registered ship which contravenes United Nations sanctions, including the restrictions established by Annex B of UNSCR 2231 (2015), is liable to have its registration cancelled.

6 Companies wishing to engage in commercial transactions in Iran or with Iranian-linked entities are advised to make their own assessments and decisions in the light of their own commercial interests and consult their legal advisers, insurers or P&I Clubs accordingly.

7 Any queries relating to this circular should be directed to the Singapore Registry of Ships (SRS) at Tel: +65 6375 1932. Queries in writing can also be directed to the SRS's dedicated email contact at: [marine@mpa.gov.sg](mailto:marine@mpa.gov.sg)

8 Please note that MPA Shipping Circulars No. 2 of 2007 and No. 10 of 2010 are hereby revoked.

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