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Communication received from the Democratic People's Republic of Korea

- 1 The Secretary-General has received the attached notification regarding the new name of the Maritime Administration of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.
- 2 Member Governments and organizations in consultative status with IMO are invited to bring this circular to the attention of all parties concerned.



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Mr. Efthimios Mitropoulos
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I am pleased to present my compliments to the Secretary-General of the International Maritime Organization and have the honour to inform you that Maritime Administration Bureau of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea will be renamed as **MARITIME ADMINISTRATION OF DPR KOREA** effective from the 1st of March this year.

In this connection, I would like to draw your attention to the fact that all the existing certificates and documents issued to our flagged ships and our seafarers under the name of Maritime Administration Bureau will remain valid until the dates of their expiration.

You are, therefore, kindly invited to bring this letter to the attention of all member states and, in particular, regional PSC committees in charge of PSC inspections.

With the assurances of my highest consideration.

Yours Sincerely,

Ko Nung Du
Director-General