



ST. VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES

MARITIME ADMINISTRATION

CIRCULAR N° PSC 021

DETENTIONS OF VESSELS INSIDE THE PARIS MOU REGION (PARTICULARLY IN ITALY)

**TO: SHIPOWNERS & SHIPS' OPERATORS & MANAGERS
SURVEYORS TO FLAG STATE ADMINISTRATION**

APPLICABLE TO: ALL SHIPS CALLING ITALY AND THE PARIS MOU
REGION
ENTRY INTO FORCE: ISSUING DATE OF PRESENT CIRCULAR

Monaco, 01 Oct. 06.

We refer to the Circular N° **PSC 003**.

The analysis of the evolution of ST VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES Flag ships detentions inside the Paris MOU Region shows an improving situation which complies with this Administration's policy to improve vessels' safety and enforce the application of International Conventions.

	No. of Inspections	No. of Detentions	Detention ratio
2003	833	137	15.52
2004	832	104	12.9
2005	845	97	11.4
2001-2003	2484	417	16.8
2002-2004	2450	398	16.2
2003-2005	2520	333	13.2

The Paris MOU Committee, during its 39th meeting in June 2006, considered the 2005 inspection results and adopted the new Black – Grey – White List which took effect on 1st July 2006.

St Vincent and the Grenadines Flag is now in Medium to High Risk (mthr).

The above means that, the following will be effective as from 1st July 2006:

- When a St Vincent and the Grenadines Flag vessel's target factor will be calculated, the points attributed will be 8.
- According to *Paris Memorandum on Port Ste Control*, Section 3, paragraph 3.10.5 (Access refusal measures concerning certain ships), the refusal of access order will be issued if the St Vincent and the Grenadines Flag vessel has been detained more than twice in the course of the preceding 24 months in ports of the Memorandum.

The improving situation has been obtained by the efforts and commitments of many Shipowners having their vessels flying St Vincent and the Grenadines Flag and by this Administration.

During 2005:

- Italy, for seven consecutive years, has been the leading Country among the Paris MOU's members in terms of number of inspections and detentions (all Flags).
- This Administration obtained significant results in Italy.

	No. of Inspections	No. of Detentions	Detention ratio
2003	135	38	28.1
2004	114	30	26.3
2005	125	23	18.4
2001-2003	298	85	28.4
2002-2004	305	84	27.5
2003-2005	376	91	24.2

Italian Port State Control average detention ratio, all Flags, is 9.95%.

Shipowners and this Administration should increase their efforts and commitments to further improve the Flag performances in Italy.

IT IS HIGHLY RECOMMENDED TO SHIPOWNERS, SHIPS' OPERATOR AND MANAGERS TO INFORM THE ADMINISTRATION (qualtech@svg-marad.com) AS SOON AS THEY KNOW THAT THEIR SHIPS ARE SCHEDULED TO CALL ITALIAN PORTS.