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**Press Release - CIC on Crew Familiarization for Enclosed Space Entry
1st September 2017 – 30th November 2017**

Riyadh MoU is launching a Concentrated Inspection Campaign (CIC) based on Crew Familiarization for Enclosed Space Entry.

The purpose of the CIC is to ensure effective procedures and measures are in place to safeguard seafarers on board ships when entering and working in enclosed spaces and to check compliance with the applicable requirements of the SOLAS Convention.

Consequently, as from 1st September 2017, all vessels may be subject to an additional check by PSCO's.

The campaign period will be commenced from 1st September 2017 and it will be held for 3 months, ending on 30th November 2017.

In order to assist ships staff for this CIC, a check list to help Masters, Designated Persons Ashore and crew has been prepared (see Annex) to prevent the vessels from being delayed or detained by Port State Control Officer(s).

The ships must comply with all applicable International Conventions at all times.

Yours faithfully,

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Questionnaire - CIC on Crew Familiarization for Enclosed Space Entry
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Ships Name:		IMO No:	
Port of Inspection:		Date of Inspection:	

#	Item	YES	NO	N/A
1	Are there measures in place to test the atmosphere of an enclosed space to confirm it is safe to enter?			
2	Are crew members responsible for testing the atmosphere in enclosed spaces trained in the use of the equipment referred to in Question 1?			
3 *	Are the crew members familiar with the arrangements of the ship, as well as the location and operation of any on-board safety systems or appliances that they may be called upon to use for enclosed space entry?			
4 *	Are crew members responsible for enclosed space emergency duties, familiar with those duties?			
5 *	Is the training manual available on board and its contents complete and customized to the ship?			
6 *	Is there evidence on board that enclosed space entry and rescue drills are conducted in accordance with SOLAS Chapter III, Regulation 19?			
7 *	Have the ship's crew participated in an enclosed space entry and rescue drill on board the ship at least once every two months in accordance with SOLAS Chapter III, Regulation 19.3.3?			
8 *	Are crew members responsible for enclosed space entry aware of the associated risks?			
9 *	During the CIC, the PSCO is to observe an enclosed space entry and rescue drill. Did the drill comply with the requirements of SOLAS Chapter III, Regulation 19.3.6?			
10	Is the ship detained as a result of a "NO" answer to any of the questions?			

Note 1 Each question should be answered and only one box ticked for that question.

Note 2 Questions with an asterisk (*) indicate Code 30 may be issued