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Shipping Information Notice – 070

**COVID-19 – Periodical Verifications / Inspections
(To be read in conjunction with SIN – 069)**

To: Ship owners, Operators, Managers, DPA's

Further to the information contained within Shipping Information Notice (SIN) – 069, Masters of Gibraltar Registered ships encountering difficulties as detailed within the afore-mentioned SIN, are to complete the appended declaration. The completed Declaration should be forwarded to the Administration via email; maritime.survey@gibraltar.gov.gi for review.

The Administration if considered appropriate will issue letters in respect to due verifications / inspections as outlined within SIN 069.

Steve Gomez
Chief Surveyor (Ag)

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Master’s Declaration for postponement of surveys and/or issuance of short-term certification

Recognising the various issues which the Coronavirus (Covid-19) is having on worldwide movement of personnel and availability of staff, the Gibraltar Maritime Administration will consider, on a case by case basis, the postponement of due surveys/inspections/verifications, and if applicable issuance of a Short Term Certification to ensure the continued operation of the vessel. In order to be issued with a Flag State letter, or short-term certification you are required to make the following declaration:

Name of Vessel / IMO Number

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ISM Managers

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Area of Operation

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DECLARATION: I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT:

- i) all fire fighting appliances, life saving appliances and safety equipment that are carried on board the vessel have been; **suitably maintained / are within date* applicable certification remains valid; ** Delete as applicable*
- ii) the Radio equipment is functioning correctly;
- iii) the navigational equipment, nautical publications and lights, shapes and sound signal appliances, required for compliance with the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea 1972 (COLREGs), are carried on board and are functioning correctly;
- iv) no known alteration, damage or deterioration to the vessel or its equipment has occurred in service that would affect the vessel’s compliance with the requirements of the relevant legislation, including stability;
- v) weather tight doors and hatches as applicable are functioning correctly; and
- vi) crew training and certification are valid.

Signature **Date**

Notes - This form shall be retained with the vessel for subsequent inspection together with Flag State Letter / short-term certification - A false declaration may render the owner liable to prosecution.