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Subject: New Requirements for Security-related training and Certification for shipboard personnel

Introduction

1. In the pursuant of the STCW Convention and Code as amended by the Manila Amendment (2010) which came into force on 1 January 2012. It has been stated that training and certification for shipboard personnel at the different levels and all seafarers are required to comply with these provisions of STCW regulations VI/5 and VI/6 and section A-VI/5 and A-VI/6 by latest 1 January 2014.

New Requirements for Training and Certification

2. Security-related training and certification will be classified as stated below:

- (a) Security related familiarization
- (b) Proficiency in security awareness
- (c) Proficiency in designated security duties; and
- (d) Certificate of Proficiency for Ship Security Officers

3. **Security related familiarization:** Seafarers shall receive security-related familiarization in accordance with section A-VI/6, paragraphs 1 to 4 of the STCW Code and shall meet the appropriate standard of competence specified therein.

4. **Proficiency in security awareness:** Security awareness training must be undertaken by all seafarers employed or engaged in any capacity on ships which are required to comply with the ISPS Code. This training/ instruction must meet the requirements of Section A-VI/6 paragraph 4 of the amended STCW Code. On completion of this training a seafarer will lead to the issue of a STCW Certificate of Proficiency.

