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Means of escape from sleeping rooms

NKTECHNICAL INFORMATION

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To: Shipowners and shipbuilders concerned

Dear Sir(s):

The final paragraph of the letter from the Liberian Marine Authority, which is attached to NK Technical Information 252 referred to a kick-out panel as a means of escape. This information was in addition to their requirements regarding corrosion prevention of ballast tanks.

The letter from the Liberian Authorities was in response to our inquiry concerning means of escape from a sleeping room with a differing arrangement on a vessel.

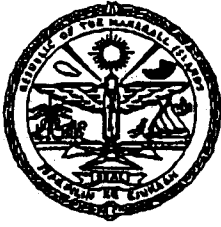
We have recently received instructions from the Administrations of Liberia and the Marshal Islands regarding the means of escape from sleeping rooms as a general requirement for vessels under their flag, a copy of which is attached for your reference.

We hope this will clarify the requirements of the both Administrations and in particular, the situations where access to a sleeping room is by way of a day room, where no means of escape directly to passageway is required provided that the day room has direct access to the passageway.

Please contact the Hull Department of the Society at tel.: +81-3-5226-2018 or fax: +81-3-5226-2019 should you have any further questions.

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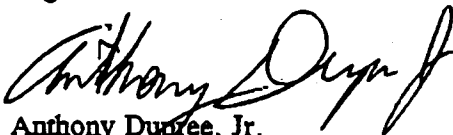
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Regards:


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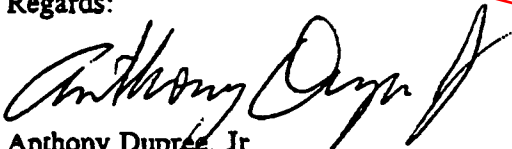
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