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HOW TO USE EPIRB ON
BOARD SHIP IN DISTRESS

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We have the pleasure to inform you "How to use EPIRB on board ship in distress" as per attached which was noticed by the Ministry of Transport of Japan recently.

You are requested to make all crew of ships under your control understand the procedures mentioned in the attached.

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For the EPIRB installed on board ship, attention is to be paid to the followings so that crew will be able to use EPIRB effectively on board ship in distress.

1. Crew should be familiar with appropriate activating procedure of EPIRB by reading instruction manual, etc.
2. Crew should activate EPIRB in proper way following to a procedure according to the instruction manual when abandon a ship and rescue is required.
3. Crew should bring EPIRB with them at a ship in distress as EPIRB is a life saving equipment to indicate the position of the crew who are waiting rescue.

A float free type EPIRB is arranged to capable of floating free while certain water pressure exist such as the ship sinks and of being automatically activated when afloat in the case that crew can not bring EPIRB with them by some reason. Even though a float free type EPIRB is provided on board, crew should bring it with them into lifeboat/life raft at a ship in distress.

The end.