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To all shipowners and shipmanagers
of German ships

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IMO REQUIREMENTS ON CARRIAGE OF PUBLICATIONS ON BOARD SHIPS MSC-MEPC.2/Circ.2

Dear Sir/Madam,

1. The International Maritime Organisation has sent out a circular, MSC-MEPC.2/Circ.2 dated 1 June 2006, providing information on IMO requirements on carriage of publications on board ships. The details are set out in the Annex to the attached circular.
2. In respect to paragraph 3 of the Annex of MSC-MEPC.2/Circ.2, the German Ordinance for the Safety of Seagoing Ships (SchSV 98) requires that copies of the "Schiffssicherheitsvorschriften" and "Schiffssicherheitshandbuch" shall be carried on board of German flagged ships. These rulebooks contain national rules and regulations, as well as major IMO instruments e.g. SOLAS, MARPOL, LL and ISM-Code and are published as hard copy and as CD-ROM. It is to be considered that these publications are available at present in the German language only.
3. Your attention is drawn to paragraph 6.4 of the ISM-Code stating that all personnel involved in the Company's SMS should have an adequate understanding of relevant rules, regulations, codes and guidelines. In cases where the working language will differ from the German one, the system should ensure that relevant publications are available in the language understood.
4. The publications should be treated in accordance with paragraph 11 of the ISM-Code. Publications required for emergency use, such as the International Code of Signals and the IAMSAR Manual should always be available in the form of hard copies.

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5. Shipowners, shipmanagers and designated persons are advised to take note of this circular including MSC-MEPC.2/Circ.2 and to ensure compliance within their Safety Management System.

6. Any questions to the a.m. subject should be addressed to the Ship-Safety-Division/Department ISM.

Best regards
Ship-Safety-Division
International Safety Management (ISM)
by order

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