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Applicable to: This circular should be brought to the attention of ship-owners, ship managers, operators and masters of Vanuatu-registered ships.

RE: Maritime Labor Convention 2006 amendments

On 18 January 2017 the new amendments regarding Seafarer Repatriation will come in to force. The amendments to Regulations 2.5 and 4.2 provide for the repatriation of seafarers and the owners responsibility to provide financial security for repatriation of seafarers.

This Fleet Safety letter is an amendment to the DMLC Part I issued to vessels registered with this Administration. As long as an MLC compliant vessel attaches this fleet safety letter as well as proof of insurance endorsed by this Administration, VMSL will not issue any new DMLC Part 1's.



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