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SUBJECT: Advance Notice of Arrival and Pre-Arrival Preparation Requirements and Preemptive inspections for Vessels Calling on Ports in Australia, China, Europe and the USA.

Dear Owners, Operators, Designated Person Ashore and Master's:

Port State Control inspections and PSC detentions continue to increase in Australia, China, Europe and the USA. The Administration has published the following MAs and MONs to assist you with the preparation of the vessels when visiting ports in the designated areas:

- [MA 01/2021](#) - Precautions When Navigating Waters In And Around Changjiangkou, China
- [MA 16/2022](#) - Shipboard Preparedness For Emergency Steering In Port Hedland
- [MA 18/2022](#) - Electromechanical Equipment Malfunction Procedures For Shanghai
- [MON 02/2021](#) - Australian Ports – Measures To Mitigate Port State Control Actions And Detentions
- [MON 05/2021](#) - China Ports – Mandatory Reporting And Port State Control
- [MON 06/2021](#) - Main Public Routes Along The Coast Of Zhejiang, People's Republic Of China
- [MON 02/2022](#) - Dynamic Pre-Arrival Deficiency Information

The vessel operator is responsible for ensuring compliance with the international conventions as required by Liberia Maritime Regulation 2.35. The Administration requires owners, operators and DPAs to report deficiencies by submitting Advance Notice of Arrival (ANOA) to the Liberian Administration. The submission of the ANOAs 96 hours prior to arrival are helping to ensure compliance by identifying and reporting defects and initiation of corrective action prior to boarding by PSC. Our experience has proven that the majority of PSC detentions could have been prevented with timely notification of issues to the Flag Administration and relevant Class Society. Accordingly, it is imperative that we receive ANOAs with an accurate Pre-arrival preparation so we may provide accurate and effective assistance.

Additionally, the Administration is providing vessels with a Pre-arrival Port deficiency information by email using our Dynamic Prevention Program. A Preemptive inspection, if applicable, will be scheduled to assist crews with keeping the vessel in compliance.

Although it is not a requirement to submit the Pre-Arrival Checklist ([RLM-258](#)), you are encouraged to use it to inform any existing deficiencies onboard

A completed ANOA with information on existing deficiencies shall be sent to NOA@liscr.com at least 4 working days, or 96 hours, prior to the vessel's arrival at its first port of call in Australia, China, Europe, or the USA. A copy of an ANOA provided to the Coastal State with information on deficiencies is acceptable. In any case, the ANOA shall include the following information:

Vessel Name:
IMO Number:
Port of Arrival:
Date of Arrival:
Contact information for the local agent:
Defective Equipment;
Compliance issues:
Vessel's Previous Port:
Date of departure:

If you have questions please contact us by email at prevention@liscr.com or by telephone to +1-703-790-3434 and ask for the Prevention Department.

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