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FROM: MCO HEAD OFFICE – TECHNICAL DEPARTMENT
TO: OWNERS /MANAGEMENTS/SURVEYORS.
SUBJECT: NEW REGULATION FOR THE USE OF THE SHIP SECURITY ALERT SYSTEM (SSAS) TOGO FLAG
Reference: SOLAS 74', as amended, Regulation XI-2/6
Resolution MSC. 136 (76) December 11, 2002
Resolution MSC. 147 (77) May 29, 2003
MSC/Circ. 1072 June 26, 2003
MSC/Circ. 1155 May 23, 2005
MSC.1/Circ.1190 May 30, 2006

Dear All:

In line with the IMO circular MSC/Circ.1155, owners / managers / operators of ships of 500gt and more, flying the Togo flag should be equipped with an approved type Ship Security Alert System (SSAS), and programmed adequately to send Test messages & Alerts notifications to the flag Administration of Togo to the below specified email address:

security@togoregistrar.com

The Company Security Officer (CSO) in coordination with the Ship Security Officer (SSO) should ensure that when testing the SSAS equipment on board, with the Flag Administration, they notify the Flag Administration twenty four (24) hours in advance prior to the test, by sending a notification e-mail to **security@togoregistrar.com.**

The purpose of the pre-notification, is to avoid any confusion with any party whether the received message is an actual alert, or a test message.
The procedures for testing the SSAS should be in accordance with MSC/Circ.1155.
The frequency of SSAS alert testing, for ships under Togo flag, is once per calendar year, and should coincide with the Safety Radio survey and / or ISPS audits carried out on board by an approved RO.
(List of approved RO can be found on: http://www.togoregistrar.com/approved-class-and-ro) It is understood that some service providers relating to the shipboard SSAS are providing additional position updates and other data to the operators and / or managers of the vessel, where such information / data is not required to be submitted to the flag Administration of Togo.

SSAS recipient details:
Ship Security Alerts Systems should be programmed to send a message to the CSO responsible for the vessel, and also to this Administration on security@togoregistrar.com.

Please note that any other e- mail address which belongs to this Administration, **should not be used** as additional or alternative SSAS recipients, as to avoid confusion.

Procedure in case of transmitting false SSAS message:

In cases of defect where the SSAS is transmitting repeated false alerts, **the designated CSO should notify this Administration by e-mail at** security@togoregistrar.com and make urgent arrangements with ship's crew and / or approved technician to rectify the technical fault as soon as possible.

Notification of satisfactory completion of repairs to the faulty equipment should be communicated as soon as possible to the Flag Administration.

Not reporting immediately false alerts to the Maritime Administration Togo, is a non-compliance with SSAS testing procedure and wrong SSAS recipient setting may result in penalties.

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