

## CIRCULAR MCO - 030-2021

## DATE:SEPTEMBER 27th, 2021FROM:MCO HEAD OFFICE – TECHNICAL DEPARTMENTTO:SURVEYORS/ MANAGEMENTS/ OWNERS/ OPERATORSSUBJECT:RECOGNITION OF COMPANY SECURITY OFFICERS

Dear All:

By this means we would like to draw your attention to the information given in circular **MMC-206** which updates the responsibilities of the Company Security Officer (CSO) like a person designated by the company to ensure that ships security assessments are carried out, ship security plans are properly developed and submitted for approval before being implemented and maintained, also working a liaison with Port Facility Security Officer and the Ship Security Officer.

Panamanian flagged vessels Company Security Officers must perform duties and responsibilities as detailed in the ISPS, they must ensure that vessels have appointed and trained Ship Security Officers. Vessel operators, CSO's and interested parties are urged to updated or make sure that CSR documentation is updated before requesting a CSO endorsement.

Starting September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017, all recognized security organizations should verify that the designated company security officer has a duly endorsed Declaration of Company Security Officer. If the information the Declaration is not matching with the CSR and the ISSC, these certificates need to be amended to avoid PSC detentions.

Note: Circulars MMC-206 attached for reference.

All related documents can be found on our website: <u>https://macosnar.com/</u>.

Should you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Best Regards,

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