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To: All IMO Members
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Subject: **Communication from the Government of the Hellenic Republic**

The Government of the Hellenic Republic has sent the attached communication, dated 31 March 2021, with the request that it be circulated by the Organization.



HELLENIC REPUBLIC
MINISTRY OF MARITIME AFFAIRS AND INSULAR POLICY
HELLENIC COAST GUARD HEADQUARTERS
GENERAL DIRECTORATE FOR SHIPPING
SEAFARERS' TRAINING DIRECTORATE

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NOTICE

SUBJECT: "UPDATE ON SEAFARERS' CERTIFICATION RELATED MEASURES TAKEN BY THE HELLENIC MARITIME ADMINISTRATION AS A RESULT OF COVID-19"

All Certificates of Competency (CoCs) and Certificates of Proficiency (CoPs) of seafarers which have been issued by the competent Greek authority, in accordance with the provisions of the International Convention STCW 1978, as amended, and are due to expire during the period from 01/04/2021 to 30/09/2021, are granted with a general extended validity of 6 (six) months, regardless of whether an extension has been granted before.

The Hellenic Maritime Administration also allows for the extension of the endorsements of attestation, provided that the CoC and the CoP of the foreign Authority, which are endorsed, have a period of validity extending until the date of the granted extension.

The aforementioned extensions are in effect without requiring any additional entry on the certificate or submission of relevant request or other documentation.

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