Circular Letter No.4256
8 April 2020

To: All IMO Members
Intergovernmental organizations
Non-governmental organizations in consultative status

Subject: Communication from the Government of the Republic of Maldives

The Government of the Republic of Maldives has sent the attached communication, dated 4 April 2020, with the request that it is circulated by the Organization.

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Ref No: 202-M/PRIV/2020/77

Date: 04th April 2020

The Secretary General
International Maritime Organization
4 Albert Embankment
London SE17SR

Subject: Circular relating to provide extension of expiry dates of CoC and trading Certificates issued to Maldives Flag Vessels for Coronavirus (Covid-19) Pandemic

His Excellency Secretary General,

Maritime Administration of Maldives is following all IMO circulars Guidelines and instructions for the shipping sector for compliance. We highly appreciate your guidance and instructions in this respect. Hence the Maldives Transport Authority have promulgated a circular for shipping community as attached Marine Circular relating to provide extension of expiry dates of CoC and trading Certificates issued to Maldives Flag Vessels.

With Kind Regards

Mahdi Imad
Chief Executive of Maldives Transport Authority
MALDIVES TRANSPORT AUTHORITY
Government of the Republic of Maldives

MARINE CIRCULAR

Marine Circular No: INT-2020/001
Date: 30th March 2020

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In light of the current control measures put in place by the government of the Maldives on 12th March 2020 under the Public Health Emergency Law to prevent the spread of Covid-19 and following the guidelines of IMO Circular Letter no. 4204/Add.5 dated 17 March 2020, Shipowners, Operators, Charterers, Shipping agents, Seafarers and all concerned parties are hereby notified of the following:

- Certificate of Competencies expiring on or after 01st March 2020 may apply for an extension of 6 months from the date of expiry of the certificate. Seafarers applying from overseas may apply for extension through our email: maritime@transport.gov.mv.

- Mandatory short courses required for the revalidation of CoC will also be extended for 6 months by application and can be made via our email: maritime@transport.gov.mv.

- Medical Fitness Certificates expiring on or after 01st March 2020 are hereby extended until 30th June 2020.

- Trading certificates issued to Maldivian flag vessels expiring on or after 01st March 2020 are hereby extended until 30th June 2020.

- Port Facility Permits expiring on or after 01st March 2020 are hereby extended until 30th June 2020.