AN UNDERTAKING CONCERNING THE RECOGNITION OF TRAINING AND CERTIFICATION OF SEAFARERS FOR SERVICE ONBOARD VESSELS REGISTERED IN BARBADOS

Between

THE PRINCIPAL REGISTRAR, BARBADOS MARITIME

and

DIRECCION GENERAL DE LA MARINA MERCANTE DE HONDURAS

Recognition of Certificates of Competency under the International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers, 1978, as amended in 1995, Regulation 1/10

We set out below for your information the terms under which we will recognise certificates of competency issued by your authority. Please confirm your agreement by signing and returning to us the attached copy.

- The Barbados Ships' Registry, as an Agency of the Barbados Ministry of International Business and International Transport, deals with the recognition of certificates of competency and the subsequent issue of Endorsement Documents.
- 2. The contact address of the Official shall be:
 - 2.1 The contact address of the Official of Barbados:

Principal Registrar

Barbados Ships' Registry

Barbados High Commission

1 Great Russell Street

London WC1B 3ND

United Kingdom

Tel: +44 020 -7636 5739

Fax: +44 020 7636 5745

Email: registry@barbadosmaritime.com

2.2 The contact address of the Official of Honduras:

Dirección General de la Marina Mercante de Honduras

Boulevar Los Proceres

Edificio " Atala "

No. 2930, Apdo. Postal 3625

Tegucigalpa, M.D.C.

HONDURAS

Tel: +504 2236 8880 / 22210721 / 22213033 / 22211987

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Email: gentedemar@marinamercante.gob.hn

- 3. In general terms, it is out intention to accept only those certificates of competency issued by or on behalf of a country deemed to be compliant with STCW 95. As part of the criteria for acceptance. A certificate issuing country must be listed by IMO as being compliant by appearing in the "White List" or have written confirmation from IMO to the effect that it is compliant. We will not, however, recognise certificates issued by "third party" issuers or parties that do not train and examine seafarers in full compliance with the requirements of the STCW Convention.
- 4. Should we request a visit to view the facilities, observe the procedures and/or review the policies of your certificate issuing authority, such a request will be made in writing by the Principal Registrar or his designated deputy. Upon your written consent, a mutually acceptable date, time and duration for an inspection visit will be agreed between us.
- 5. If requested by this Agency, your authority will permit us access to data from any quality standards evaluations (in accordance with STCW Reg.1/8) conducted by you as the Certificate-issuing Party. This Agency has a Quality Standards System, which is accredited by Germanischer-Lloyd to ISO 9001-2008 and is therefore independently evaluated and audited.
- 6. When seeking to verify the validity or content of a certificate issued by your authority we may contact you by fax, loetter or email as appropriate. Any such communication will contain all the principal details of the certificate being verified. If there is likely to be a delay in your response for any reason, we request we be advised of the difficulty as soon as practicable.
- 7. In the event that we withdraw or revoke any endorsement of recognition, whether for disciplinary or other reasons, you will be advised by the Principal Registrar or his designated representative in writing of the reasons for the action taken.
- 8. As a Certificate-issuing Party, you will notify the Principal Registrar at Barbados Ships' Registry of any significant changes in the arrangement for training and certification provided in compliance with the Convention, where the changes include:
 - (a) a change of position, address or access information for the responsible official

- (b) any material change in procedures
- (c) any change substantially different from the information communicated to the Secretary-General of the IMO pursuant to Section A-1/7 of the STCW Code.
- 9. This Agreement will remain valid unless and until revoked by either party in writing.

	PODER EJECUTIVO DIRECTOR GENERAL HOMOURAS, CA BIRECCION GERER DE LA MARIHA NERCAND
C D Sawyer	Dirección General de la Marina
Principal Registrar	Mercante de Honduras
Barbados Ships' Registry	For Honduran Administration
Barbados Maritime	
Dated	Dated