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International Merchant Marine Registry of Belize

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VESSELS TRADING IN TOKYO MOU AREA- PORT STATE CONTROL DETENTIONS DURING 2015.

**TO: DEPUTY REGISTRARS, SHIP OWNERS/ISM OPERATORS/SHIPPING
AGENTS/GENERAL SAFETY INSPECTORS**

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REFERENCE

Merchant Marine Notice 15-01- Port State Control Analysis of Detentions during 2014.

Merchant Shipping Notice 0030- Guidelines to Owners/ISM Operators & Master on Port State Control Inspections.

Merchant Shipping Notice 0033- Minimizing the Risk of Port State Control Detention.

PURPOSE

The International Merchant Marine Registry of Belize (IMMARBE) with the aim to improve our Fleet detention record in **Tokyo Mou** requires all addressed parties to implement the necessary measures to ensure that their Belize Flag Vessels do not incur in more detentions during 2015.

This Merchant Marine Notice is intended to provide Owners/Operators/Masters and Flag Inspectors on the most common deficiencies, which led to the detentions of Belize Flag vessels during 2015.

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PORT STATE CONTROL DETENTIONS DURING 2015

Year 2015 (January to May 2015)

Total number of PSC inspections carried out from January to May 2015: 209

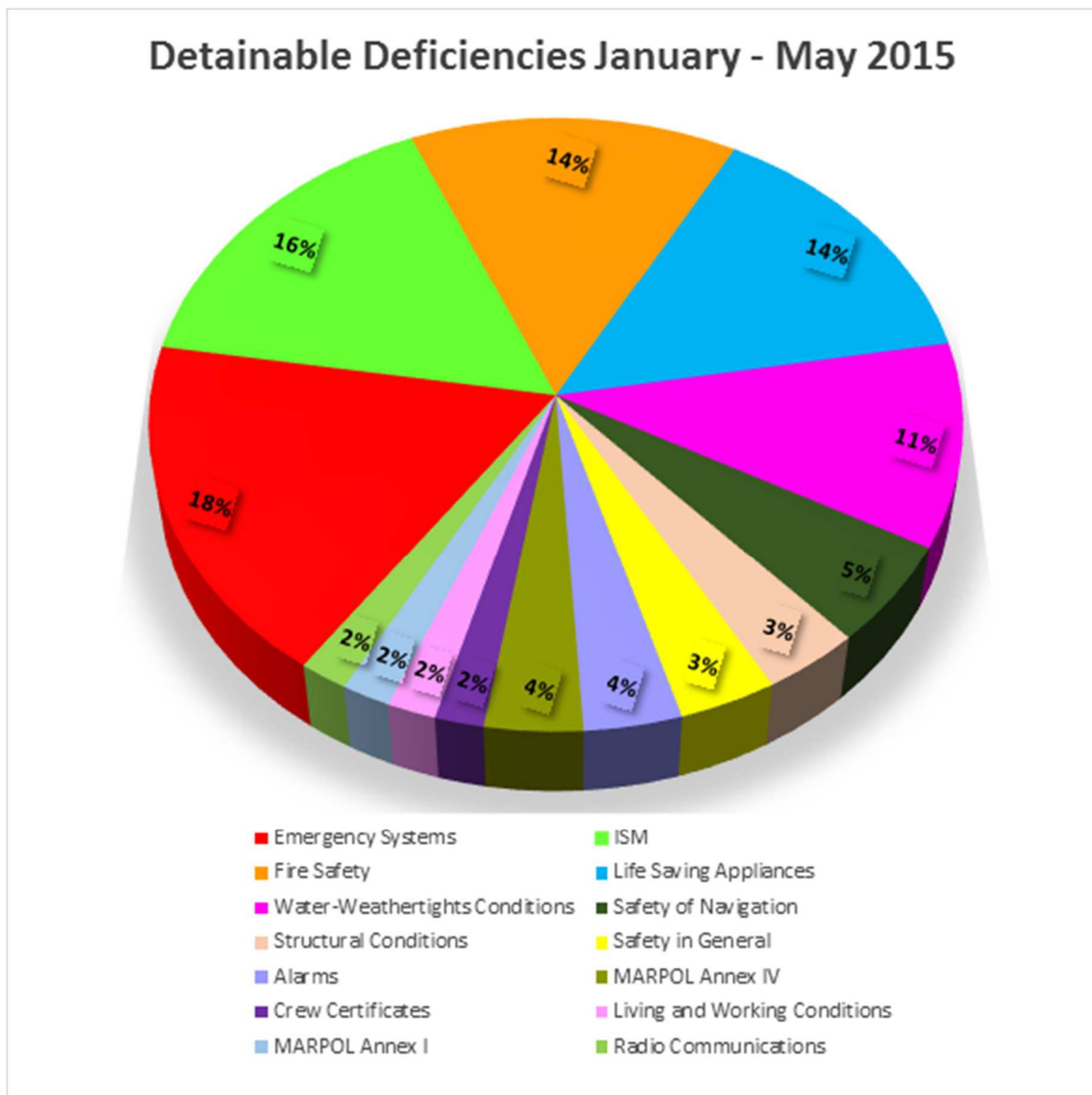
Total number of detentions in Tokyo Mou from January to May 2015: 19

Percentage of PSC inspections resulted in detentions: 9.09 %

It concerned very much the Belize Administration that the percentage of PSC inspection resulted in detentions during 2015 (Jan to May) has been increased and if such continue will result in a negative impact for Belize Administration to achieve improvement in the Tokyo Mou area.

ANALYSIS OF DETENTIONS IN TOKYO MOU AREA DURING 2015 (JAN TO MAY)

Comparing with last year the vulnerable areas which ground Belize Vessels to be detained, we have concluded to be similar areas as previously identified in our Merchant Marine Notice 15-01 issued on 26 March 2015. Below is the list of the most frequent areas that led to detention of Belize Vessels from January to May 2015.



The major areas of being the most frequent detentions are as follows:

Emergency Systems (18%), ISM (16%), Fire Safety (14%), Life Saving Appliances (14%), Water-Weathertights conditions (11 %), Safety Navigation (5%) Marpol Annex IV (4%), and Alarms (4%).

We remind again Owners/Operators of vessels trading in Tokyo Mou area to immediately take note on this statistics and develop preventive actions which allow your company to avoid future detentions on the Tokyo Mou area.

DETENTION LIST BY COUNTRIES OF TOKYO MOU AREA

The below are the lists of countries and their port (s) in Tokyo MOU where Belize vessels have been detained during the first quarter of 2015.

Japan: 8 detentions (Nagoya=6 detentions, Muroran=1 detention and Takamatsu=1)

Hong Kong, China: 3 detentions

China: 5 (Dalian: 1, Lianyungang: 1, Taizhou: 1, Tianjin: 1, and Zhoushan: 1)

Malaysia: 1 (Labuan Sabah: 1)

South Korea: 1 (Busan: 1)

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS TO IMPROVE IMMARBE'S DETENTION RECORDS IN TOKYO MOU AREA

It concerns the Belize Administration (IMMARBE) that the number of detentions in Tokyo Mou during 2015 has been increased due to lack of commitment from ISM Operators and if such continue it will affect negatively the Belize Administration (IMMARBE). Management therefore has no other alternative but to take the following pro-active measures in order to achieve an improvement during 2015 in the Tokyo Mou area.

1. **With immediate effect** existing Vessels with detention (s) during 2015 will be subject to an Annual Flag Inspection. Owners/Operators will be contacted by IMMARBE's Technical team to obtain pertinent details to accomplish this **as soon as possible**.
2. **Existing Vessels trading in Tokyo area** are required to submit **in a monthly basis (First five days of every month)** the attached PSC inspection check list. Owners/Operators will submit the attached check list along with copy of crew list duly signed/stamp by Master to IMMARBE Technical Department (Capt. Demetrio Cortes – demetrio@immarbe.com and Eng. Jessica Villarreal- technicalofficer2@immarbe.com)
3. **New and Existing Vessels** which next port of call is **Nagoya, Japan or Hong Kong, China** are required to submit the attached PSC inspection check list within 48 hours prior to his arrival. Owners/Operators will submit the attached check list along with copy of crew list duly signed/stamp by Master to IMMARBE Technical Department (Capt. Demetrio Cortes – demetrio@immarbe.com and Eng. Jessica Villarreal- technicalofficer2@immarbe.com)
4. **Vessels with a detention during 2015 in Tokyo MOU area** and incurring in any further detentions (even after GSIs), will be subject to immediate fines and/or expulsion if deemed necessary and depending on the severity of the deficiencies being reported by PSC.

The above actions will remain in force during 2015 in order to improve IMMARBE's detention record in Tokyo MOUs and also to assist Owners/Operators in avoiding detentions from PSCO.

Look forward for your cooperation and assistance.

Kind regards;

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