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MARINE CIRCULAR 209.1

To: DEPUTY REGISTRARS, SHIPOWNERS, SHIPMANAGERS, DPAs, FLAG STATE INSPECTORS, Ros, MARITIME TRAINING CENTERS

Subject: INTERNATIONAL MEDICAL GUIDE FOR SEAFARERS AND FISHERMEN

1. Reference

1.1 <https://publications.ics-shipping.org/>

1.2 MN 101 – Requirements on Carriage of Publications On Board Ships, as amended

2. Introduction

2.1 The purpose of this Marine Circular is to communicate to all vessels and yachts registered with Palau Flag and all parties concerned the International Medical Guide for Seafarers and Fishermen, as released by the International Chamber of Shipping (ICS) in conjunction with the International Transport Workers Federation (ITF) and the International Maritime Health Association (IMHA).

3. Applicability

3.1 The present Marine Circular applies to all commercial ships and yachts registered under Palau Flag.

4. Information

4.1 The International Medical Guide for Seafarers and Fishermen was designed for non-medical professionals working at sea to provide more practical and up-to-date guidance for handling medical emergencies on board. This modern and practical medical guide from ICS has been written and reviewed by an international group of maritime medical practitioners and experts, providing the latest medical knowledge on all injuries, illnesses, and health issues experienced on ships. It can be used on board all ships, anywhere in the world, and in onshore safety departments, medical assistance centres and training institutions who support seafarers. It is accompanied by a new first-aid kit guide containing the latest globally available medicines and equipment to be carried on board ships to improve the welfare of seafarers.

5. Recommendation

5.1. Palau International Ship Registry recommends including the International Medical Guide for Seafarers and Fishermen on the list of publications approved on board Palau-flagged vessels to complement the latest edition of the ILO/IMO International Medical Guide on Board Guide. WHO and the IMO First Aid Guide for use in case of accidents related to dangerous



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goods, in compliance with article 163 of Executive Decree No. 086 of February 22, 2013, by means of which the Convention on the Maritime Work, 2006, modified by Executive Decree No. 160 of March 3, 2021.

6. Effective date and actions

6.1 This Marine Circular is effective immediately.

7. Contact

7.1 For further questions, please do not hesitate to contact the PISR Seafarer Department at seafarer@palaureg.com

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