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International Merchant Marine Registry of Belize

EXISTING CRITERIA FOR ATTRIBUTING PORT STATE CONTROL DETENTIONS TO RECOGNIZED ORGANIZATIONS

Notice to Recognized Organizations, Deputy Registrars, Resident Agents and those concerned with the registration of vessels under the Belize Flag and their documentation.

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The present instructions aim at enhancing the control of the flag state over safety standards of Belizean ships. These are a complement to any additional authorization given in the past to Recognized Organizations. All terms used are as defined in international conventions for the implementation of which relevant authorizations have been given to Recognized Organizations.

1. CIRCUMSTANCES FOR THE ATTRIBUTION OF DETENTIONS TO RECOGNIZED ORGANIZATIONS.

1.1. Whenever Statutory Certificates are not issued or are not endorsed by the RO, unless our registry had received notification in writing from the RO prior to the detention that they have not conducted the respective survey or will not be issuing the relevant certificates.

1.2. If the vessel is detained within 90 days* of any applicable survey performed by a RO, the following detainable deficiencies or ISM Code non-conformities will be attributed to the RO:

- a. Equipment deficiencies (e.g., missing or improperly maintained equipment)
- b. Serious wastage or structural deficiencies
- c. Lack of effective and systematic implementation of any requirement of the ISM Code.
- d. Absence of highly pilferable equipment missing **in large quantities**. (Nautical Charts and Publications as defined by SOLAS Reg. V/27 are not considered as pilferable)

***Notwithstanding the aforementioned limitation of 90 days from the date of survey, our Administration reserves the right to attribute the detention to a RO in respect of a survey carried out more than 90 days ago whenever the condition of the vessel and the deficiencies identified during a PSC inspection are of a long standing nature.**

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1.3. The following detainable deficiencies will be attributed to the Recognized Organization regardless of the time elapsed from the last applicable survey:

- a. Equipment that was outdated or not serviced at the time of the last survey (e.g., expired flares, not serviced fire extinguishing systems)
- b. Long standing, serious wastage of structural deficiencies.

2. CIRCUMSTANCES FOR NOT ATTRIBUTING DETENTIONS TO RECOGNIZED ORGANIZATIONS

2.1. Voyage damage, unless other RO related deficiencies are noted during the course of the Port State Control Inspection.

2.2. Missing a **small quantity** of highly pilferable equipment, such as fire hose nozzles or fire extinguishers.

2.3. Manning issues.

3. EXISTING TARGETING CRITERIA FOR RECOGNIZED ORGANIZATIONS

3.1. Priority for Targeting Recognized Organizations will be given as follows:

Priority 1. ROs whose fleets have the largest number of detentions in the prior years.

Priority 2. ROs whose vessels are found to have detainable deficiencies during GSI surveys.

Priority 3. ROs whose vessels incur several non-detainable deficiencies during Port State Control Inspections.

Priority 4. ROs whose performance is poor as reflected in our Performance Reviews.

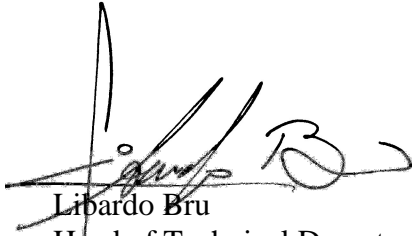
3.2. Actions to be taken by the Administration when Targeting Recognized Organizations:

a. Intensified GSI inspections conducted by Flag State Surveyors onboard vessels certified by the Recognized Organization being targeted.

b. Repeated in-depth External Audits conducted by the Administration to ensure compliance with IMO Resolutions A.739(18), Resolution A.789(19), other related instruments ratified by Belize.

c. Restrictions in the delegation of authority granted by the Administration to conduct Statutory Services.

d. Any other measure the Administration may consider necessary in the circumstances.



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