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To: Ship-owners/Operators, Legal Representatives of Panamanian Flagged Vessels, Panamanian Merchant Marine Consulates and Recognized Organizations (RO's).

Subject: Fire Control Plan graphical symbols

Reference: a. Resolution A.654 (16) or A.952 (23)

1 Purpose

The purpose of this Circular is to inform the Ship-owners/operators, legal representatives of Panamanian Flagged Vessels, Panama Merchant Marine Consulates and Recognized Organization regarding the use on board of Graphical symbols on Fire Control Plan.

Resolution A.654 (16) of 19 October 1989 adopt the symbols to be used on Fire Control Plans, but also the Resolution A.952 (23) of 5 December 2003 adopts the Graphical symbols for shipboard fire control plans, required by SOLAS regulation II-2/15.2.4 for ships constructed on or after 1 January 2004, furthermore through this Resolution (A.952(23)) IMO Assembly agrees that ships constructed before 1 January 2004 may continue to carry fire control plans that use the graphical symbols contained in Resolution A.654(16).

2 Use of Graphical Symbols

Considering that according to SOLAS Convention Chapter II-2 regulation 15.2.4, Resolution A.654 (16) or A.952 (23) is referred as footnote.

Based on the abovementioned this Administration recommends that IMO Resolution A.952 (23) symbols will be incorporated if it becomes necessary for any reason to reissue a vessel's Fire Control Plan especially on vessels the keels of which are laid on or after 1 January 2004.

During the plan review process, Classification Societies or Recognized Organizations should verify compliance with Resolution A.952 (23).

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