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საზღვაო ტრანსპორტის
სააგენტო

MARITIME TRANSPORT
AGENCY

Circ.
№ 8

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TO: ALL SHIPOWNERS

**SUBJECT: CHANGING OF CLASS OF THE VESSELS CURRENTLY SUPERVISED
BY NON-IACS MEMBER CLASSIFICATION SOCIETIES**

Dear Sir/Madam,

Maritime Transport Agency of Georgia presents you its compliments and would like officially notify you on the following:

Referring to our circular No.6 dated 18th of August, 2011 concerning Classification Societies recognized by Georgia and according to recently approved technical Regulation on Recognition of Classification Societies in force since August 18, 2011 Maritime Transport Agency shall not recognize classification society unless it is IACS member. Subsequently, the ships under non-IACS member Classification Societies shall no longer be entitled to fly Georgian Flag.

Bearing in mind commonly recognized approach for safe operation of vessels and for the sake of good order Maritime Transport Agency expects to receive your action plans regarding changing of class of the vessels under your management. Therefore, you are kindly requested to provide MTA with the detailed action plan together with the documented evidences such as official letters from IACS member Classification Societies, etc.

As deadline is approaching and there is not so much time left you are herewith requested to provide us with above requested information until October 14, 2011. In case the requested information is not submitted in due time MTA reserves the right to take appropriate measures to

safeguard the image of Georgian Flag. Non-compliance with present circular will be considered as a violation of Flag State requirements.

Sincerely,

Maritime Transport Agency



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Permanent Representation of Georgia to IMO
European Maritime Safety Agency (EMSA)
Paris MoU Secretariat
Tokyo MoU Secretariat
Black Sea MoU Secretariat
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