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**TO: Recognized Organizations, Ship Owners, Operators, Masters and Officers**

**SUBJECT: Transitional arrangements for the completion of the establishment of the Long – Range Identification and Tracking (LRIT) System**

**Guidance for Recognized Organizations,  
Ship Owners, Operators, Masters and Officers**

**Definition:**

The Maritime Safety Committee (MSC) at its 81<sup>st</sup> session in May 2006 adopted new regulations for the LRIT together with associated performance standards and functional requirements. The LRIT regulation has been inserted in SOLAS V 19-1 and entered into force on 1 Jan 2008. The LRIT regulation applies to ships engaged in international voyage, as follows:

- 1) Cargo ships, including high-speed craft, of 300 GT and upwards;
- 2) Passenger ships, including high-speed passenger craft; and
- 3) Self propelled mobile offshore drilling units, not on location.

On February 20, 2013 LRIT agreement concluded between Maritime Transport Agency (MTA) and National Data Center (NDC) of State Maritime Administration of Azerbaijan in order to provide the ships flying Georgian flag with relevant information, automatically transmit the information to MTA such as:

- 1) the identity of the ship;
- 2) the position of the ship (latitude and longitude); and
- 3) the date and time of the position provided.

Thus providing significant added value through an improvement of the knowledge of ships positions and identity, including Security matters.

**Applicability:**

This Guideline applies to all the Vessels registered under Georgian Flag subject to the applicability provisions of SOLAS regulation V/19-1 on Long Range Identification and Tracking.

**Requirements:**

The designated LRIT equipment must be always on and in operational condition. Any problem, which may result in the ceasing of transmission of the ship's position report, such as deactivation of the terminal, log out, power failure, etc., must be reported immediately to the Department of Merchant Shipping and at the same time, immediate actions must be taken to resume operation.

In case the LRIT equipment on a ship does not work properly, the Maritime Support Services of EMSA, which is monitoring the operation of the Data Centre (DC) for all EU - member states may notify immediately the ship's management company or the flag Administration.

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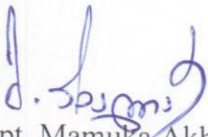
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