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JOINT PARIS AND TOKYO MEMORANDA OF UNDERSTANDING CONCENTRATED INSPECTION CAMPAIGN (CIC): FIRE SAFETY

The Member Authorities of the Tokyo and the Paris Memoranda of Understanding (MoU) on Port State Control (PSC) will launch a joint Concentrated Inspection Campaign (CIC) on fire safety. Traditionally, fire safety related defects are the most common of detainable deficiencies.

The inspection campaign will commence on September 1, 2023 and end on November 30, 2023. The MoUs PSC inspectors will focus particular attention on the following ten (10) questions:

1. Are the emergency escape routes maintained in a safe condition?
2. Are the fire doors maintained in good working condition?
3. Has the fixed fire detection and fire alarm systems, been periodically tested in accordance with the requirements of the Administration?
4. Are ventilation closing appliances capable of being closed?
5. Are the means of control for power ventilation of machinery spaces operable from two grouped positions?
6. Can each fire pump deliver at least the two required jets of water?
7. Are the means of control provided in a position outside the machinery space for stopping ventilation and oil transfer equipment operational?
8. Is the room for the fixed gas fire extinguishing medium used only for this purpose?
9. Are the valves used in the fire main line operational?
10. Where a fire drill was witnessed, was it found to be satisfactory?

The MoUs have also released guidance in complying with the ten (10) questions that can be found [here](#).

Your Managers recommend that Members take note of this information and be guided accordingly.