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To: All IMO Members  
Intergovernmental organizations  
Non-governmental organizations in consultative status

Subject: **Communication from the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran**

The Embassy of the Islamic Republic of Iran sent the attached communication, dated 7 March 2020, with the request that it is circulated by the Organization.

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IN THE NAME OF GOD

Ministry of Road & Urban Development  
**Ports and Maritime Organization**

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H.E. Mr. Kitack Lim  
Secretary-General of International Maritime Organization (IMO)  
Subject: Measures to Address Covid 19

His Excellency,

This is to inform you that in order to prevent the spread of *Covid 19*, and properly control and address it, all matters related to surveys, inspections, certification and/or renewal of statutory certificates, including the CLC, BCLC, Wreck Removal, ISSC, DOC of safety management companies that are issued by the Ports and Maritime Organization (PMO) as the duly authorized maritime administration of the Islamic Republic of Iran, statutory certificates issued by recognized organizations on behalf of this administration, and the seafarers' documents and certificates, which need to be available on board vessels in accordance with IMO circular No. FAL.2/Circ.131, MEPC.1/Circ.873, MSC.1/Circ.1586 and LEG.2/Circ.3, dated 19 July 2017, and which will expire by January, February or April 2020, are hereby extended until 31 May 2020.

I would therefore like to ask the Secretariat to kindly have this issue communicated to all Member States of IMO.

I appreciate your valuable attention and efforts in advance.

Mohammad Rastad

Deputy Minister of Roads and Urban Development and  
Managing Director  
Ports and Maritime Organization