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# RESOLUTION MSC.473(ES.2) – RECOMMENDED ACTION TO FACILITATE SHIP CREW CHANGE, ACCESS TO MEDICAL CARE AND SEAFARER TRAVEL DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

# **National Focal Points on Crew Change and Repatriation of Seafarers**

- On 21 September 2020, the Maritime Safety Committee, at its second extraordinary session, adopted resolution MSC.473(ES.2) on *Recommended action to facilitate ship crew change, access to medical care and seafarer travel during the COVID-19 pandemic*, whereby, inter alia, it invited Member States and relevant national authorities to designate National Focal Points on Crew Change and Repatriation of Seafarers, to coordinate action at national level; and to inform the Secretary-General accordingly so that Member States could be advised for the purpose of coordination.
- In this regard, the Secretariat has received notifications on the designation of a National Focal Point on Crew Change and Repatriation of Seafarers from the Governments of Cook Islands, France, Philippines, Saint Kitts and Nevis, United Arab Emirates and Vanuatu, as attached.
- 3 Member States are invited to note the annexed information and bring it to the attention of all parties concerned. In addition, Member States are invited to inform the Secretary-General about the designation of National Focal Points on Crew Change and Repatriation of Seafarers as provided in resolution MSC.473(ES.2).

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#### ANNEX

## NATIONAL FOCAL POINTS ON CREW CHANGE AND REPATRIATION OF SEAFARERS

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