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According to received technical information from Admin. Of SINGAPORE, regarding Guidance on Providing Safe Working Conditions for Securing of Containers on Deck, CSS Code Annex- 14, this Technical Information has been sent hereby for your kind information and remedied action.

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ترک دعوی: اگرچه در گردآوری کلیه راهنماهای فنی ارائه شده توسط موسسه رده بندی ایر انبان ، تا حد ممکن تلاش در دقت و صحت محتوا صورت گرفته است، این موسعه موسسه رده موسعه متر است، این موسعه متحمل مسئولیتی در قبال هرگونه اشتباهات خسارت های احتمالی و جرانمی که ممکن است در ارتباط با بکار گیری مفاهیم و مطالب ارائه شده رخ Code: Tech 2015-09

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#### 1- GENERAL:

The administration of Singapore has advised relevant parties on their instructions regarding IMO MSC.1/Circ.1352 (CSS Code Annex 14) in MPA Surveys Circular No.2 of 2015 (MPA ref: FSC 7.7), as per attached. According to these instructions, Annex 14 Rev.1 of the CSS Code is to be applied as a mandatory requirement to Singapore flagged containerships as follows.

(Containership dedicated means containerships and those parts of other ships for which arrangements are specifically designed and fitted for the purpose of carrying containers on deck.)

### 2- Application of the CSS Code, Annex 14 (MSC.1/Circ.1352) for the above Administration:

Existing containerships with a date of keel laying prior to 1 January 2015 are subject to the provisions of sections 4.4, 7.1, 7.3, and 8 in Annex 14 by the first survey relating to the ship's safety construction certification on or after 1 January 2016.

Ship owners are encouraged to apply the relevant provisions of section 6 and 7.2 of Annex 14 as far as practicable. As a minimum, existing container ships shall comply with items 4.4.12 in FSC 7.7, at their first scheduled dry docking survey on or after 1 January 2016, but not later than 1 January 2021.

For containerships with a date of keel laying or which are at a similar stage of construction on or after 1 January 2015,

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Annex 14 of the CSS Code shall be applied in its entirety.

#### 3- APPLICATION OF ANNEX 14 OF THE CODE OF SAFE **PRACTICE FOR CARGO** STOWAGE AND SECURING (CSS CODE):

We refer to the new Annex 14 of the Code of Safe Practice for Cargo Stowage and Securing (CSS Code), relating to the "Guidance on Providing Safe Working Conditions for Securing of Containers on Deck" introduced to the CSS Code by the Maritime Safety Committee, at its eightyseventh session and subsequently amended ninety-fourth its session at MSC.1/Circ.1352/Rev.1.

- Member Governments were invited to apply sections 4.4 (Training familiarization), 7.1 (Introduction), 7.3 (Maintenance) and section 8 (Specialized container safety design) to existing containerships. Member Governments were also invited to apply the principles of the guidance contained in sections 6 (Design) 7.2 (Operational procedures), existing containerships as far as practical, with the understanding that existing ships would not be required to be enlarged or undergo other major structural modifications.
- Bearing in mind the aim of the new Annex 14 of CSS Code is to ensure that persons engaged in carrying out container securing operations on deck have safe working conditions and in particular safe access, appropriate securing equipment and safe places of work. Existing containerships shall apply sections 4.4 (Training and familiarization), 7.1 (Introduction), 7.3 (Maintenance) and section 8 (Specialized container safety design) by the first survey relating to the ship's safety construction certification on or after 1 January 2016.
- Ship owners are encouraged to apply the relevant provisions of section 6 (Design) and 7.2 (Operational procedures)

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as far as practicable. As a minimum, existing container ships the keels of which were laid or which are at a similar stage of construction before 1 January 2015 shall comply with the following requirements, at their first scheduled drydocking survey on or after 1 January 2016, but not later than 1 January 2021.

- A platform with fencing to prevent workers falling off it are to be provided, to allow container securing operations performed in outer positions to be accomplished safely.
- The space provided between the containers stows for workers to carry out lashing operations are to provide:
  - A firm and level working surface
- A working area, excluding lashings in place, to provide a clear sight of twist lock handles and allow for the manipulation of lashing gear;
- sufficient spaces to permit the lashing gear and other equipment to be stowed without causing a tripping hazard
- Sufficient spaces between the fixing points of the lashing bars on deck, or on the hatch covers, to tighten the turnbuckles
- Access in the form of ladders on hatch coamings
  - Safe access to lashing platforms
  - Protective fencing on lashing platforms
- Adequate lighting to carry out the work safely
- All relevant deck surfaces used for movement about the ship and all passageways and stairs are to have non-slip surface.
- Walkways on deck are to be delineated by painted lines or otherwise marked by pictorial signs, where necessary for safety.
- All protrusions in access ways, such as cleats, ribs and brackets that may give rise to a trip hazard are to be highlighted in a contrasting color.
- Toe boards (or kick plates) are to be provided around the sides of elevated lashing bridges and platforms to prevent

securing equipment from falling and injuring people.

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- Any openings in the lashing positions through which people can fall are to be possible to be closed.
- Fences and handrails are to be highlighted with a contrasting color to the background, where possible.
- Athwart ship's cargo securing walkways are to be protected by adequate fencing if an unguarded edge exists when the hatch cover is removed.
- Handholds are to be provided at the top of the ladder to enable safe access to the platform to be gained.
- Manhole openings that may present a fall hazard are to be highlighted in contrasting color around the rim of the opening.
- The maximum length of a lashing rod are to be sufficient to reach the bottom corner fitting of a container on top of two high cube containers and be used in accordance with the instructions provided by the manufacturers.

#### **NOTE:**

- Notwithstanding the above compliance, ROs are requested to inform ship owners that differing requirements could have been implemented by port and terminal operators. Ship owners should be advised to enquire with the competent authorities of the ports which their ships are calling on any additional requirements.
- For container ships the keels of which were laid or which are at a similar stage of construction on or after 1 January 2015, Annex 14 of the CSS Code shall be applied in its entirety.