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

Subject: **Communication from the Federative Republic of Brazil**

The Government of the Federative Republic of Brazil has sent the attached communication, dated 14 April 2020, with the request that it is circulated by the Organization.

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BRAZILIAN NAVY  
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London, 14 April 2020.

To the Secretary-General  
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**Subject: The Brazilian Maritime Authority's measures in relation to COVID-19**

Dear Mr Kitack Lim,

Brazil has introduced a number of practical measures to ensure that the flow of commerce by sea is not to be unnecessarily disrupted at this unprecedented time when ships and crews are a critical part of the solution to overcome the COVID-19 pandemic.

In this respect, I would like to inform you that the Brazilian Maritime Authority has adopted the temporary measures presented at the attached document to ensure effective measures are taken to deal with this global crisis.

Additionally, I request that the Organization kindly disseminate the attached information among its Members States and any other interested parties.

Please accept, Sir, the assurance of my highest consideration.

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Permanent Representative  
Head of the Representation



## BRAZILIAN NAVY

### DIRECTORATE OF PORTS AND COASTS

RIO DE JANEIRO, RJ.  
07 April 2020.

#### TEMPORARY MEASURES ARISING FROM THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

In view of the Covid-19 pandemic, the Directorate of Ports and Coasts (DPC), acting as representative of the Brazilian Maritime Authority, has published measures of a temporary nature related to documentation of maritime personnel, ships and platforms.

These measures aim to preserve the continuity of the maritime transport work by granting an extension for a period of up to one hundred and twenty (120) days to documents that expire during the period of restriction of mobility established by health authorities and which revalidation may not be possible, as follows:

#### 1. EXTENSION OF VALIDITY OF DOCUMENTS RELATING TO PERSONNEL

- 1.1. Certificates of Competency and Certificates of Proficiency of Seafarers, valid until July 31, 2020;
- 1.2. Personal Data Labels in valid Enrolment and Registration Booklet - CIR, issued by the Brazilian Maritime Authority, which were originally valid until June 30, 2020; and
- 1.3. Complementary Course and Training Certificates valid until July 31, 2020, for non-crew professionals and non-waterways crew members, issued by accredited institutions and approved by the Agents of the Brazilian Maritime Authority.

#### 2. EXTENSION OF VALIDITY OF DOCUMENTS RELATING TO SHIPS AND PLATFORMS

- 2.1. Permits for the operation and/or permanence of a foreign flagged vessel in Brazilian Jurisdictional Waters, valid until July 31, 2020;
- 2.2. Annual, intermediate and renewal surveys relating to the statutory certificates under IMO International Conventions and Codes and the Brazilian Maritime Authority Standards, scheduled to be carried out until July 31, 2020.
- 2.3. Civil Liability Certificates for Damage Caused by Oil Pollution (CLC 69) valid until July 31, 2020;
- 2.4. Statement of Compliance for Operation in Brazilian Jurisdictional Waters; and
- 2.5. Condition Survey Statement for Bulk Carriers.

#### 3. NOTICE

The Director of Ports and Coasts has notified national authorities, recognized organizations and other interested parties related to maritime transport and published the respective documents at the following address: <https://www.marinha.mil.br/dpc/portarias>.

[signed]

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