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Subject: Intensified Port State Inspections

TO REGIONAL PORT AUTHORITIES

In the examination of the Port State Inspection reports made by our Port Authorities in the recent period, especially on coaster and river type vessels over 30 years of age operated under certain flags a significant increase in non-compliances has been observed, these vessels pose a risk to the safety of life and property at sea of the Paris MoU performance.

In this context; Paris MoU performance certificates certified by non-IACS member classification societies flags of countries listed in the Black List and barred from entering ports within the scope of the Paris MoU **vessels over 30 years of age, especially coaster and river-type foreign-flagged vessels, are one-off inspections, regardless of the inspection periods in our memorandums of understanding will be subjected to extended port state control at the first port of arrival** and necessary all safety precautions are taken and structural controls including warehouses and ballast tanks are carried out in detail photographs will be sent. Vessels that cannot be inspected due to reasons such as inspection/ig intensity will be notified to our Administration and they will be included in the inspection program on their next port arrival.

In this respect, the aforementioned intensified inspection campaign **will be continued for 3 months** as of the date of this letter will be applied during the inspections;

- The relevant articles of the Port State Control Regulation will be applied to the ships whose status is deemed inappropriate implementation of necessary measures within the scope,
- Ships that do not fulfill their responsibilities will not be allowed to enter Turkish Ports notification to the master of the ship,
- Whether or not the ships subject to the shipyards' go-to-shipyard measure have gone to the shipyard is a matter for the relevant shipyard confirmation from the port authority where the ship is located, and if the ship has entered the shipyard abroad the control and inspection of the shipyard by the port authority and
- The day following the inspection date at the latest of the photos together with the inspection report to be sent to our General Directorate (gemi.denetim@uab.gov.tr) in the following days.