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All Filipino seafarers employed on board ocean-going vessels are hereby reminded to strictly comply with international regulations governing maritime safety and prevention of pollution to the marine environment.

Recent incidents in foreign waters on marine casualties and damage to the marine environment caused by pollution from ships have involved Filipino seafarers. Such incidents have grave implications on the conduct, reputation and competence of Filipino seafarers.

Seafarers therefore, found to have violated pertinent international regulations on maritime safety and pollution prevention, after due process, shall be held administratively liable under Paragraph 20 of Section 33 of the Standard Terms and Conditions Governing the Employment of Filipino Seafarers on Board Ocean-Going Vessels providing for the Table of Offenses and Corresponding Administrative Penalties.

Licensed manning agencies are likewise reminded to emphasize the importance of strictly complying with international maritime regulations to all seafarers and the grave consequences for its violation during PDOS sessions.

For the information and strict compliance of all parties concerned.

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