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MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE MINISTRY OF SEA, TRANSPORT AND INFRASTRUCTURE OF THE REPUBLIC OF CROATIA AND THE MARITIME INDUSTRY AUTHORITY OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPIN...

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ACTING in accordance with Regulation I/I 0 of the International Convention on Standards on Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers, 1978 as amended.

The Ministry of Sea, Transport and Infrastructure acting on behalf of the Republic of Croatia (hereinafter referred to as "Croatian Maritime Administration") and the Maritime Industry Authority (MARINA) on behalf of the Republic of the Philippines (hereinafter referred to as "Philippines Maritime Administration"), for the purpose of implementing the International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers, 1978, as amended (hereinafter referred to as "the STCW Convention"), in particular with respect to the recognition of certificates of competency, training, documentary evidence and medical fitness certificates for seafarers (hereinafter referred to as "certificates") issued by the Croatian Maritime Administration and the Philippines Maritime Administration (hereinafter referred to as "the Parties") in accordance with the STCW Convention and cooperation between the Parties in the training and certification of seafarers as well as control, documentation and verification process, have agreed as follows.

1. All communications arising from this Memorandum of Agreement shall be made to the institutions referred to below;

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2. Having regard to the provisions of Regulation 1/10 of the STCW Convention, including the related provisions of the STCW Code, the Parties have reached the following understanding:

a. The Parties agree to recognize other Party's national certificates and will provide Certificates of Recognition as evidence of such recognition.

b. The Parties will issue their Certificates of Recognition pursuant to Regulation 1/2 of the STCW Convention following compliance by the Parties with the requirements of Regulation 1/7 of the STCW Convention and Section A-I/7 of the STCW Code.

c.The Party whose national certificates are to be recognized will ensure that the training and assessment of seafarers as required under the provision of STCW Convention are administered and monitored in accordance with the provisions of Section A-1/6 of the STCW Code and that a register or registers of all certificates and endorsements is maintained and the information will be made available as required by the Regulation 1/2 of the STCW Convention. Similarly, such Party will ensure that those who are responsible for, and that those who provide such training and assessment are qualified in accordance with the provisions of Section A-1/6 of the STCW Code for the type and level of training or assessment involved.

d. The Party that provides Certificate of Recognition may, in accordance with the provisions of Regulation 1/10 of the STCW Convention and with the consent of the Party whose national certificates are to be recognized, visit the facilities, observe the procedures, or review the policies have been approved or employed by the Party whose national certificates are to be recognized for meeting the requirements of the STCW Convention regarding:

- standards of competence;
- training:
- the issue, endorsement, revalidation and revocation of certificates;
- record-keeping;
- medical standards:
- quality standards; and
- communication and response process to requests for verifications.

e. The Party whose national certificates are to be recognized will allow the Party that provides Certificate of Recognition to have access to the results of the quality standards evaluation conducted in accordance with the Regulation 1/8 of the STCW Convention.

f. The Party whose national certificates are to be recognized will notify the Party that provides Certificate of

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Recognition within 90 (ninety) days of any significant changes in the arrangements for training and certification applying under its administration in accordance with the Regulation 1/10, paragraph 1.2 of the STCW Convention. The significant changes may include:

- changes in the contact, details of the official responsible for authentication reviews;
- changes affecting the procedures set forth in this MOA; and
- changes that amount to substantial differences from the information communicated to the Secretary-General of the International Maritime Organization pursuant to Section A-l/7 of the STCW Code.

g. Where the Party that provides Certificate of Recognition for disciplinary reasons suspends, revokes or otherwise withdraws its Certificate of Recognition of a certificate issued by the Party whose national certificates are to be recognized, such Party will provide the other Party with full details in circumstances, within 90 (ninety) days of so doing.

3. When requesting a visit, the Party who intends to visit other Party will observe the following conditions:

- A request to visit facilities will be forwarded in writing, by telefax or by email at least 30 (thirty) days before the intended date of visit;

- The request will list the motives which, in the view of the Party who intends to visit other Party, make it necessary to carry out a visit;

- The request will name the specific facility or facilities which the Party intends to visit;

- The request will contain the names of the officials taking part: in the visit and their position: and

- The Party that conducted the visit shall communicate the results of any evaluation carried out within three (3) months from its completion to the visited Party.

4. This Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) shall come into force from the date of later written notification by the Parties, through diplomatic channels, indicating that the
domestic requirements for its entry into force have been complied with. It will continue to have effect for a period of five (5) years and shall be renewed automatically unless
either Party gives six (6) months' notice before the expiration of this Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) .

5. This Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) may be terminated by either Party, by giving a written notice at least 6 (six) months before the date on which it intend that the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) will cease to have effect.

6. This Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) is made in two (2) originals in English language.

FOR THE MINISTRY OF SEA,
TRANSPORT AND
INFRASTRUCTURE OF THE
REPUBLIC OF CROATIA

(Sgd.)
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State Secretary for Sea

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FOR THE MARITIME
INDUSTRY AUTHORITY OF THE
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