

BS MOU SECRETARIAT

Beylerbeyi Mah. Abdullahaga Cad.
No:16A 34676 USKUDAR/ISTANBUL



Tel : +90 216 3425887

E-mail: secretariat@bsmou.org

Web-site: <http://www.bsmou.org>

PRESS RELEASE

CONCENTRATED INSPECTION CAMPAIGN (CIC) ON CREW WAGES AND SEAFARER EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT UNDER MLC, 2006

The member Authorities of the Memorandum of Understanding on PSC in the Black Sea Region (BS MoU) will conduct a Concentrated Inspection Campaign (CIC) on Crew Wages and Seafarer Employment Agreement under MLC, 2006.

The three-month campaign will start on September 1st, 2024 and end on November 30th, 2024 under the coordination of the Maritime Administration of Bulgaria. The campaign shall be conducted simultaneously with the Paris and Tokyo Memorandums and other regional PSC regimes.

The purpose of the CIC on MLC, 2006 is to verify that ships are in compliance with the requirements related to crew wages and seafarer employment agreements as stipulated by MLC, 2006 and to raise awareness within the shipping industry regarding these requirements.

The campaign will focus on examining specific areas related to crew wages, seafarer employment agreements (SEAs), and financial securities, including repatriation and shipowners' liability, as outlined in MLC, 2006. These aspects will be assessed during regular port State control inspections and each ship will be subject to only one inspection under this CIC during the period of the campaign.

Port State Control Officers (PSCOs) will utilize a pre-defined questionnaire to evaluate compliance with the relevant requirements of MLC, 2006 concerning crew wages, seafarer employment agreements, and the provision of financial securities.

In the event of deficiencies are found during inspections, actions by the PSCOs may vary, ranging from recording a deficiency and instructing the master to rectify it within a certain period to detaining the ship until serious deficiencies have been rectified or until the port State has accepted a proposal for a plan of action. All inspections will be entered into the Black Sea Information System (BSIS) and inspection results will be available for public access on the MoU website.

Following the conclusion of the campaign, a thorough analysis of the results will be conducted and the findings will be presented to the Black Sea MoU Committee for submission to the IMO.

06 August 2024

Contact

Black Sea MoU Secretariat

Beylerbeyi Mah. Abdullahaga Cad. No.16/A Istanbul 34676 Turkey

Telephone: +90 216 342 5887

E-mail: secretariat@bsmou.org

Web-site: www.bsmou.org