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Attn.: VRS Authorized Surveyors / Shipowners / Ship Managers Subject: Action plan for 2015 for decrease Detention Rate.

Dear Sirs,

Venezuelan Register of Shipping Ltd. presents you great respect.

This Action Plan goal is to decrease the Detention Rate for 2015 for ships certificated by Venezuelan Register of Shipping Ltd. inspected by Port State Control Officer as per PARISMOU, BSMOU, MEDMOU, IOMOU, ABUJA MOU.

If deficiencies are found during inspection, the PSCO is:

- decide on the appropriate action to be taken.
- be satisfied that they will be rectified.
- decide if it is a ground for detention.

In principle all deficiencies should be rectified before the departure of the ship. This does not mean that every deficiency must be checked as rectified by the PSCO. The PSCO will exercise professional judgment in determining whether to detain the ship until the deficiencies are rectified or to allow it to sail with certain deficiencies without unreasonable danger to the safety, health, or the environment, having regard to the particular circumstances of the intended voyage As regards minimum manning standards and the provisions of the relevant ILO Conventions. In case of Code 15 is used - deficiency should be rectified at next port, Code 16 is used - deficiency should be rectified during next 14 days, Code 18 is used - only for deficiency Item 15150 ISM (Internal Safety Audit is required within 3 months) and them are considered as opened deficiencies and this is responsibility of Owners/Managers for rectification of deficiency in due time to avoid ship detention during next PSC inspection.

During issuance of survey instructions by VRS Ltd. Head Office to surveyor for any type of survey it is requested, that surveyor should check last PSC inspection report for conformance that all deficiencies are rectified and there are no open deficiencies. Last PSC report should be presented to VRS Ltd. Head Office.

If there are detainable Items and vessel is detained by PSCOs it is requested that Occasional survey should be conducted by Authorized surveyor. If Code 19 is used which means the International Safety Management Audit is required before departure of ship by Flag Administration or by Recognized Organization, it means that authorized surveyor should conduct additional ISM Audit, Safety Management Certificate should be endorsed. The ISM audit report should be presented to VRS Ltd. Head Office and the original ISM audit report should be left on board.

Kindly be guided accordingly.

Yours faithfully.

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