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MARINE SAFETY ADVISORY No. 03-21

To: Owners/Operators, Masters, Nautical Inspectors, Recognized Organizations

Subject: SEAFARER’S IDENTIFICATION AND RECORD BOOK

Date: 3 March 2021

Beginning in March 2021 a new version of the Seafarer’s Identification and Record Book (SIRB) (MI-272) (Rev. 12/20) will be put into service by the Republic of the Marshall Islands Maritime Administrator.

The new version:

1. replaces MI-272 (Rev. 4/13) which contains the unique SIRB number in perforated form on the top of each page throughout the first half of the record book;

2. does not have the SIRB number in perforated format; and

3. contains a unique identification number on a secure hologram label at the top of the inside front cover which is repeated on the seafarer’s identification page and on each Special Qualification Certificate label contained in the SIRB.

The seafarer’s identification page will continue to contain a Quick Response (QR) code that can be scanned for immediate verification of the document or the document may be verified at www.register-iri.com.

Questions or comments concerning this updated version of the SIRB may be directed to seafarers@register-iri.com.

This MSA is evaluated annually by the Administrator and expires one year after its issuance or renewal unless otherwise noted, superseded, or revoked.

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