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To the Members

Dear Sirs.

Possible delays caused by disembarking sick or injured crew at Fujairah

We have received information on possible delays at Fujairah from our correspondents, Gulf Agency (Dubai) L.L.C. and set out a quote from it below.

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Please note there has been a new regulation that has been implemented by the Harbour Master at Fujairah port with regard to disembarking sick/injured crew from vessels.

In accordance with the new regulations, vessels that disembarks sick or injured crew members at Fujairah waters, will not be granted permission to sail out until the crew is declared fit to travel or until the vessel owners or their agents arrange for their visa and repatriation.

In the event of an injury or death, the same has to be notified to the Police Authorities and the vessel will not be permitted to depart until it receives a clearance from the Police General Head Quarters which will be granted either if the crew is repatriated or a visa is obtained for the crew.

The regulation is already in force with effect from 19/01/2017.

It is our opinion that in future for such cases and in order to avoid delays, the members may wish to consider alternate/nearby ports like Jebel Ali/Sohar for any crew disembarkation on medical grounds in the future.

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Please be aware of the new regulation in case disembarkation of sick/injured crew is needed at/around Fujairah.

Yours faithfully,

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