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To the Members

Dear Sirs,

Updated Zika Virus
Chinese Quarantine Authorities, NOT RENEWED the Requirement
for Mosquito Eradication Certificate for Vessels from ZIKA Affected Areas

We would like to draw your attention to Japan P&I News [No.809](#) dated 28 March 2016, [No.839](#) dated 30 August and [No.845](#) dated 14 September.

We have obtained the information on the captioned topic by our correspondent in China, Huatai Insurance Agency & Consultant Service Ltd. Please find the attached circular.

In this circular, Huatai contacted with CIQ (Chinese Entry-Exit Inspection and Quarantine Bureau, China quarantine authorities) to check and confirmed their not renewing the requirement for mosquito eradication certificate (MEC) for vessels from Zika affected areas. Huatai also consulted some local CIQ offices and confirmed MEC is not required.

Huatai suggests Owners to check with local agent once port of call in China is fixed for the sake of good order.

We hope it will be of help to you with regard to the safe voyage.

Yours faithfully,

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Circular Ref No.: PNI1703

Date: 03 March 2017

Dear Sirs or Madam,

Subject: Follow-up Advice on Requirement of MEC for Vessels from ZIKA Affected Areas by Chinese Quarantine Authority-The MEC is not required any more

Reference is made to our previous Circulars (Ref No.:1603 & 1604 &1609) on this issue. We note that the “Notice on Prevention and Control of Zika Virus into China” issued by Chinese Entry-Exit Inspection and Quarantine Bureau (“CIQ”) has become void on 02 March 2017.

Through contacting relevant departments of Chinese Quarantine Authority, we were advised that the Notice will not be renewed and the MEC is no longer required if vessels' last port of call is a Zika affected countries/ areas after 02 March 2017.

We also consulted some local CIQ offices and understand that the MEC is not a necessity for port entry formalities any more.

Anyway, Owners are still suggested to contact local ship agent before calling Chinese ports for the sake of good order, viewing that some local requirements might vary for the time being.

Hope the above is of assistance. Any query, please feel free to contact us at pni.bj@huatai-serv.com.

Best regards,

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