Liberia Maritime Authority

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Liberia Maritime Authority

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MARINE OPERATIONS NOTICE NO. 09/25

To: All Shipowners, Operators, Masters, Agents, Salvage Companies, National Port Authority, Terminal Operators, Attorney-in-Facts, and the General Public.

Subject: **REMOVAL OF ALL WRECKS IN LIBERIAN WATERS**

References: Sections 11 of Title 21 of the Liberian Codes of Laws Revised, known as the Liberian Maritime Law, Section 4 para.1, Section 5 paras. 1, 4; Section 7 para. 1 of the Liberia Maritime Authority Act of 2010, Article 9, paras. 6, 7; Article 8; Article 10 of the Nairobi International Convention on the Removal of Wrecks, 2007, and Administrative Regulation of 2010 ref: *(CPF)BMA/RLM-300/T-001/'10.*

Purpose: The Liberia Maritime Authority ("the Authority") wishes to notify all concerned to remove their wrecked, sunk, or stranded ships from within the ports' basin and along the Liberian coastline **NOT LATER THAN OCTOBER 31, 2025**. The Authority will construe the failure of any person(s) to remove any and all wrecks on or before the specified deadline as abandonment of said shipwreck. Consequently, the Authority will remove same and recover any and all associated removal costs against any said person(s).

The Authority notes that several wrecks within Liberian waters have not been removed by their registered owners/operators for several years. These apparently abandoned wrecks pose serious and imminent danger to the safety of navigation and the risk of pollution to the marine environment if not safely removed. Additionally, wrecks within the ports' basin continue to cause under-utilization of berths with corresponding loss of revenue to the National Port Authority.

Contacts: Any person(s) having claims to any wreck(s) in Liberian waters must report such claims to the Authority with all relevant supporting documents. Claims must be made to the Office of the Deputy Commissioner – Vessel Registration and Safety, Liberia Maritime Authority, 1948 Maritime Drive, Oldest Congo Town, Opposite Ministerial Complex, P. O. Box 10 – 9042, Monrovia, Liberia. For additional information, please contact john.harvey@lima.gov.lr and anthony.twe@lima.gov.lr.

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