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Direction and Notice 2/2020

To all international ship & port facility and facilities serving international vessels.

This Direction and Notice is issued under Merchant Shipping Maritime (Security) Regulation 2013 - Part II Section 3, 4 & 5 in support of National Department of Health, and Immigration & Citizenship Authority to mitigate the spread of 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID19).

All International vessels and port facilities are hereby directed to take heed of the following;

- a) There is a suspension of shore leave by crew of all international vessels calling into all PNG ports facilities.
- b) There is a suspension of crew change in all PNG port facilities.
- c) No crew is allowed on the quayside of PNG port facilities.
- d) No personnel from the portside are allowed on board any International vessel apart from those performing statutory functions and relevant stevedores.
- e) All statutory function undertaken by receiving PNG port personnel should be done strictly with the PNG National Department of Health guidelines and appropriate PPE.
- f) All vessels are to be cleared in the nominated ports and port facilities as gazetted by NDoH before any expedition to any other port or remote site.
- g) Exemption to any of the above must made to the Department of Transport for rare consideration.

Deliberate *failure to comply* with this Direction and Notice is a breach of the Regulation and can warrant a penalty fee of K100, 000.00

Any party having difficulty complying with these directions should immediately contact the First Assistant Secretary – Maritime Security Division on email: [isps@transport.gov.pg](mailto:isps@transport.gov.pg) or Ph. 323 6187

This Direction and Notice is issued by

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