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TO : Ship Owners, Managers, Charterers, Ship Master and the Shipping Community

SUBJECT : Minimum Safe Manning Scale for Fishing Vessel

This Circular is to notify the shipping community that Kiribati is a Party to the International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Fishing Vessel Personnel, 1995 (STCW-F 1995), which entered into force on 29 September 2012, and hence is required to comply with the provisions of the STCW-F 1995 Convention.

Please assist to ensure that the fishing vessels under Kiribati Flag are duly manned with Fishing Vessel Personnel certificated in accordance with the STCW-F 1995 Convention and according to our minimum safe manning requirements.

Please refer to the attached Appendix on the minimum safe manning requirements for fishing vessel under Kiribati Flag.

Yours sincerely,

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APPENDIX

MINIMUM SAFE MANNING SCALE FOR FISHING VESSEL (STCW-F 1995)

1) NAVIGATIONAL WATCHKEEPING OFFICERS AND RATINGS

Length		Minimum qualified Navigational Watchkeeping Officers & Ratings		
		Skipper	Officer in charge	Ratings
24 metres & over	Unlimited	1(a)	1(b)	2(e)
	Limited	1(c)	1(d)	2(e)
Less than 24 metres	Unlimited	1(a)	1(b)	1(e)
	Limited	1(c)	1(d)	1(e)

Type of Certificate

- (a) COC under STCW-F Chapter II Regulation 1 (Skipper on fishing vessels over 24 metres for unlimited voyages)
- (b) COC under STCW-F Chapter II Regulation 2 (Officer in charge on fishing vessels over 24 metres for unlimited voyages)
- (c) COC under STCW-F Chapter II Regulation 3 (Skipper on fishing vessels over 24 metres for limited voyages)
- (d) COC under STCW-F Chapter II Regulation 4 (Officer in charge on fishing vessels over 24 metres for limited voyages)
- (e) Certification of Ratings forming part of a navigational watch under STCW-F Chapter IV Regulation 1

2) ENGINEERING WATCHKEEPING OFFICERS AND RATINGS

Propulsion Power	Minimum qualified Engineering Watchkeeping Officers & Ratings		
	Chief Engineer Officer	Second Engineer Officer	Ratings
750 KW or more	1(a)	1(b)	2(c)
Less than 750 KW	1(a)	1(b)	1(c)

Type of Certificate

- (a) COC under STCW-F Chapter II Regulation 5 (Chief Engineer Officer on fishing vessels of 750 KW or more)
- (b) COC under STCW-F Chapter II Regulation 5 (Second Engineer Officer on fishing vessels of 750 KW or more)
- (c) Ratings forming part of an engineering watch

3) GMDSS RADIO PERSONNEL

Minimum requirements for certification of GMDSS radio personnel

Sea Areas A1 & A2	At least 1 officer with GMDSS COC under STCW-F Chapter II Regulation 6
Sea Areas A3 & A4	At least 2 officers with GMDSS COC or 1 dedicated officer under STCW-F Chapter II Regulation 6

NOTE:

Only officers are required to hold Certificates of Endorsement (COE) and Ratings are not required.