



INDIAN OCEAN MOU ON PORT STATE CONTROL

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PRELIMINARY RESULTS OF THE CONCENTRATED INSPECTION CAMPAIGN ON FIRE SAFETY

4 ships detained during the CIC

The Concentrated Inspection Campaign (CIC) on Fire Safety was carried out in the Indian Ocean MOU region between 1 September 2023 and 30 November 2023. The CIC was aimed to determine if ships meet the mandatory requirements for fire safety prescribed in the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS) and the International Code for Fire Safety Systems (FSS Code).

This campaign was conducted in conjunction with the CIC carried out by the Tokyo MoU, Paris MoU and other MoUs.

During the campaign, total number of PSC inspections carried out by the member Authorities of the IOMOU was 1432 ships with 58 detentions, out of which 1164 inspections were carried out along with CIC questionnaire and those ships were from 58 flags. Four ships were detained with CIC related deficiencies, resulting in a CIC topic related detention rate of 0.34%.

The maximum number of CIC inspections was carried out on ships under the flag of Panama, with 249 (21.39%) inspections, followed by Liberia with 200 (17.18%) inspections and Marshall Island with 148 (12.71%) inspections. Four detained vessels with CIC related deficiencies in the Indian Ocean Region were flying the flags of Liberia, Marshall Island, Palau and Singapore.

A total of 33 flags, covering 11.08% of the total CIC inspections, had 169 CIC related deficiencies.

The highest number of CIC inspections accounted were of bulk carriers 608 (52.23%), followed by General Cargo Multipurpose ship 147 (12.62%), and Container ship 135 (11.59%).

The CIC related deficiencies were mainly related to the followings:

- .1 maintenance of fire doors in good working condition -- 23%
- .2 operational of valves used in the fire main line --20%
- .3 capability of ventilation closing appliances to be closed -- 14%

As per the analysis of the questionnaire during the Campaign, it is found that the means of control provided in a position outside the machinery space, for stopping ventilation and oil transfer equipment, are operational on-board of 1155 vessels.

The results of the campaign will be further analyzed, including additional information gathered, and the findings will be circulated among the member Authorities for remarks and observation. Thereafter, the report will be submitted to the Tenth Sub-Committee on Implementation of IMO Instruments (III 10).

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