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TO:

- (I) ALL OFFICERS AND RATINGS HOLDING JAMAICAN CoC.
- (II) ALL CANDIDATES SEEKING CERTIFICATION FOR JAMAICAN CoC.

SUBJECT:

SEA SERVICE TESTIMONIALS

REFERENCES:

1. International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watch keeping for Seafarers (STCW 95).
2. Shipping (Training, Certification, Safe Manning, Hours of Work and Watch-keeping) Regulations 1998 (the Certification Regulations).


APPLICATION:

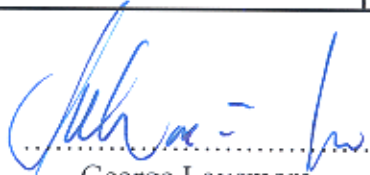
In accordance with the International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watch keeping for Seafarers (STCW 95) and the Shipping (Training , Certification, Safe Manning , Hours of Work and Watch-keeping) Regulations 1998 (the Certification Regulations), **All Candidates** applying for Certificates of Competence are required to produce Sea Service Testimonials as evidence that the relevant 'approved' watch-keeping duties have been completed.

PLEASE NOTE that , effective March 1, 2012, the Maritime Authority will not issue or revalidate any level of Certificate of Competency unless the application is submitted along with a Sea Service Testimonial.

The approved form of Sea Service Testimonial is posted on the Maritime Authority website at www.jamaicaships.com, for immediate use.

Currently, some companies provide a Sea Service Testimonial form, which adequately captures watch-keeping time and such testimonials will be accepted by the Maritime Authority provided they are appropriately completed and signed by the master of the vessel.

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