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Dear Captain
Good Day,

Please note recently we have received a notification letter from UK Maritime & Coastguard Agency that one of the fleet vessels failed to follow mandatory reporting system while passing through Dover Strait.

It shall be reminded that complying with this reporting system is mandatory for all vessels over 300 Gross Tons as adopted by IMO in accordance with the provisions of Assembly Resolution A.858(20) by means of Resolution MSC.85(70).

Failure to comply with mandatory reporting system is an offence under Regulation 3 of the United Kingdom Merchant Shipping (Mandatory Ship Reporting) Regulations 1996 , which may lead to Prosecution, fine and detention of the vessel.

Once again our esteemed Masters are strongly urged to observe all rules, regulation including followings but not limited to:

- 1- Strictly comply with all mandatory reporting systems.
- 2- Voyage plan shall be checked thoroughly to ensure that comprehensive information are stipulated in the plan.
- 3- Officer of the watch shall be well briefed and fully conversant with detail and requirement of passage plan.
- 4- Ensure each and every step of the passage plan is executed correctly.
- 5- Once reporting is made, proper records shall be maintained in deck log book with the details of time and position of reporting, coast station and VHF channel used.
- 6- Additional instruction shall be included in night order book and ensure that OOW strictly follow these instructions.
- 7 - OOW shall maintain a continuous VHF watch on all relevant VHF and DSC channels as required.
- 8- VHF volume adjustment shall be kept in an optimum position.
- 9- OOW shall be instructed to immediately call Master if in doubt or unable to follow/carry out required reporting procedure.

You are requested to confirm receipt , discuss the contents in the next consolidated meeting on board and keep a copy in DA-11 file.

Best Regards,
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