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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERTAKING

ON MUTUAL RECOGNITION OF CERTIFICATES ISSUED TO SEAFARERS BY THE LITHUANIAN MARITIME SAFETY ADMINISTRATION AND THE MARITIME ADMINISTRATION OF LATVIA FOR SERVICE ONBOARD SHIPS IN THEIR DEFINED NEAR-COASTAL VOYAGES LIMITS

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With respect to the provisions of regulation I/3 and regulation I/10 of the International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers, 1978, as amended (hereinafter – STCW Convention) the Lithuanian Maritime Safety Administration and the Maritime Administration of Latvia, hereinafter referred to as "the Parties", have agreed as follows:

1 A Party will recognize certificates issued to seafarers by the other Party for service in its defined near-coastal voyages limits in compliance with the STCW Convention and the laws in force in the territory of the States of the Parties.

2 The details of recognition of the certificates in accordance with regulation I/2, paragraph 7 of the STCW Convention are specified in the bilateral Undertaking concerning the recognition of certificates under regulation I/10 of the STCW Convention agreed between the Parties on 28 January 2002.

3 Each Party in accordance with regulation I/3, paragraph 1 of the STCW Convention for seafarers serving on board ships entitled to fly the State flag of the other Party shall impose training, experience and certification requirements equal to those for seafarers serving on board ships entitled to fly its own State flag and not in excess of those of the STCW Convention in respect of ships not engaged on near-coastal voyages.

4 Each Party in accordance with regulation I/3, paragraph 3 of the STCW Convention for seafarers serving on board ships entitled to fly its own State flag engaged on near-coastal voyages of the other Party shall impose training, experience and certification requirements equal to those of the other Party and not in excess of those of the STCW Convention in respect of ships not engaged on near-coastal voyages.

5 The details of involved trading areas and other relevant conditions thereof as required by regulation I/3, paragraph 5 and paragraph 6 of the STCW Convention and section A-I/3 of the STCW Code are as follows:

.1 The defined near-coastal voyages limits of the Republic of Lithuania:
The Baltic Sea, including the Gulf of Bothnia, the Gulf of Finland and the Gulf of Riga (and seaports' water areas).

.2 The defined near-coastal voyages limits of the Republic of Latvia:
The Baltic Sea, including its gulfs and straits, up to the latitude of Cape Skagen.

.3 Other relevant conditions (if any):
None

6 This Undertaking comes into effect on the date of signature by both Parties and shall be valid for a period of five (5) years. The validity of this Undertaking shall automatically be extended if neither of the Parties notifies the other Party of its intention to terminate it not later than six (6) months prior to the expiration of the successive term of the Undertaking.

7 This Undertaking may be terminated or suspended by either Party by written notice given to a certificate issuing Party at least within thirty (30) days, if that Party fails to meet its obligations in the Undertaking.

8 This Undertaking may be revised or amended by mutual written consent of the Parties.

Signed on behalf of:

The Lithuanian Maritime Safety Administration

Robertinas Tarasevičius

Date: 2014 -11-

The Maritime Administration of Latvia

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Date: 26.01.2015.