

Technical Circular

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To Whomsoever it may concern

<u>Subject</u>: <u>Maritime Labour Convention, 2006 (MLC, 2006) – Mobile</u> Offshore Drilling Units And Mobile Offshore Units (MMC-251).

- Maritime Labour Certificate ,Declaration of Maritime Labour Compliance required as per regulation 5.1.3 and standard A5.1.3 of MLC 2006 is not applicable for MODU (Mobile offshore drilling units and MOUS).
- Ship owners or operators may voluntarily certify their units through Recognized organization.
- The requirements of the MLC with respect to the living conditions onboard, including the requirements of financial security for repatriation (Regulation 2.5- Abandonment) and financial security relating to ship owner's liability (Regulation 4.2) will be applicable if the seafarer or personnel employed are covered by STCW.
- Panama administration has established, personnel that shall not be considered as seafarers taking into consideration the following factors as per ILO resolution VII (regarding information on occupational groups):
 - a) the duration of stay onboard,
 - b) the frequency of periods of work spent on board,
 - c) the location of the person's place of work, and
 - d) the purpose of the person's work onboard.
- As per Panama national regulation the persons or the category of persons not considered as seafarers are defined in Merchant Marine Circular MMC-265 (enclosed).
- PSC and FSI will verify the requirement mentioned in Para 3.
- The platforms or MODU(Mobile offshore drilling units) are subject to safety annual inspections(ASI), which shall be performed by the Flag surveyors.
- Ship owners/ operators and masters are advised to be guided by above.

Enclosure:

- 1. MMC 251
- 2. MMC 265



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