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Equivalent arrangements accepted under regulation I/5

Communication by the Government of Norway

The Secretary-General of the International Maritime Organization has the honour to transmit herewith the text of a communication by the Government of Norway on equivalent arrangements accepted under regulation I/5 of the above Convention.

The Secretary-General would be grateful if steps could be taken to bring this information to the attention of the appropriate authorities.



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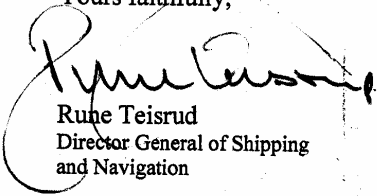
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Dear Sirs,

Statement by the Government of Norway - Equivalent Arrangement

- 1) Regulation V/19.2.1.1 of the SOLAS Convention, 1974, as amended, requires that all ships irrespective of size shall carry a properly adjusted standard magnetic compass, or other means, independent of any power supply to determine the ship's heading and display the reading at the main steering position.
Regulation V/19.2.2.1 requires all ships of 150 gross tonnage and upwards and passenger ships irrespective of size shall, in addition to the requirement of 2.1, be fitted with a spare magnetic compass interchangeable with the standard magnetic compass.....
- 2) The Government of Norway gives notification of acceptance of the following equivalent arrangement under the provision of Regulation I/5 of the abovementioned Convention.
All ships flying the Norwegian flag, may in lieu of complying with the requirement of Regulations V/19.2.1.1 and V/19.2.2.1 comply with the following:
 - a) Be fitted with two gyro compasses to determine the ship's heading and display their reading at the main steering position.
 - b) both gyro compasses shall be type approved in accordance with relevant international standards,
 - c) both gyro compasses shall be independently connected to the main- and emergency source of power, and
 - d) each gyro compass shall also be connected to an individual UPS with minimum 30 minutes capacity.
- 3) One of the above mentioned gyro compasses may cover the requirement of regulation V/19.2.5.1

Yours faithfully,


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