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Guidance on Application for re-inspection and making appeals or Complaints for PSC

In accordance with provisions of IMO resolution A. 1052 (27) "Procedures for Port State Control, 2011" and relevant regulations of China, the following procedures should be followed by a ship after a port State control inspection:

1. Application for re-inspection

- 1.1 In cases where a ship is to be detained (code 30) or endorsed with deficiencies which warrant a re-inspection in the port of inspection (code 99), the ship shall apply for a re-inspection in the port of inspection. Ships identified with deficiencies of other nature may, after rectification, apply for re-inspection on a voluntary basis, either in the port of inspection or any convenient port in China and other member states under Tokyo MOU.
- 1.2 Application for re-inspection in the port of inspection should be submitted to the PSC office in the inspection port. The re-inspection will be arranged as soon as possible.
- 1.3 Generally, the rectification of deficiencies should be verified by the PSCOs on board the vessel. If only photos and statements of rectification are submitted to the PSC office in the port of inspection, the deficiencies will not be closed in APCIS. Nevertheless, ships are encouraged to furnish sufficient evidence to help the PSCOs establish the status of rectification.
- 1.4 The application for re-inspection should be submitted through the agents or the contact information on the left bottom of Form A of the PSC report.

Note: The contact information on the top left of Form A of the PSC report is for complaint and appeal only. Please do not use it for the re-inspection application.

2. Complaints and appeals

2.1 Appeals regarding the PSC inspection, deficiencies found or action taken codes can be sent to the PSC office of inspection port through the contact information on the left bottom of Form A of the PSC

report or to the Headquarter of China Maritime Safety Administration through the contact information on the top left of Form A. For a more prompt response, the former contact information is recommended.

- 2.2 The complaints about the PSCOs or PSC office of the inspection port, or appeals on the detention should be sent to the Headquarter of China Maritime Safety Administration through the contact information on the top left of Form A of the PSC report. The Headquarter will assign the regional PSC Office to conduct investigation and respond with the least delay possible. Should there be any complaints about the regional PSC Office or the dissatisfaction about the decision made by it, the Headquarter—will conduct further investigation and notify the complainant of the status and outcome of the investigation.
- 2.3 The complaints and appeals mentioned in 2.1 and 2.2 should be supported by adequate supplementary documentation or evidence, which will help review the inspection and reconsider the deficiencies previously established. Your detailed contact information is requested for the convenience of responding to you in a timely manner.
- 2.4 Complaints or appeals shall be made within three months from the issuing date of PSC report.

For more information, please see our website at www.msa.gov.cn.