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To	All Surveyors/Auditors. All flags
Title	<b>The Tokyo MoU and Paris MoU Concentrated Inspection Campaign (CIC)</b>
Reference	Tokyo MoU and Paris MoU Concentrated Inspection

**Tokyo MoU and Paris MoU have announced that the focus of this year's joint Concentrated Inspection Campaign (CIC) will be on Ballast Water Management.**

From September 1 to November 30, 2025, Port State Control officers will verify key areas, including certification, Ballast Water Management Plan (BWMP) approval and updates, crew familiarity, system operation, record-keeping, sediment management and exemptions. This campaign aims to ensure compliance with the mandatory requirements of the , 2004 (*International Convention for the Control and Management of Ships' Ballast Water and Sediments*) and promote its effective implementation.

A pre-defined questionnaire will guide the inspections, and each ship will undergo only one CIC inspection during the campaign.

In order to determine if ships meet the requirements of the Convention, the following areas will be verified during inspections:

- Proper certification for BWM Convention;
- Approval and update of the Ballast Water Management Plan (BWMP);
- Crew familiarisation in the implementation of the BWMP;
- Ballast Water Management System approval and its operation;
- Records of Ballast Water Record Book (BWRB);
- Ballast water sediment management; and
- Valid exemptions, if any.

The inspection campaign will be held for three months, commencing from 1 September 2025 and ending 30 November 2025. A ship will be subject to only one inspection under this CIC during the period of the campaign.

Port State Control Officers will use a pre-defined questionnaire to assess that the BWM requirements in the respective areas are met.

If any non-conformities are found, actions by the port State may vary from recording a deficiency and instructing the Master to rectify it within a certain period of time, to detaining the ship until the serious deficiencies have been rectified. Inspection results will be published on the websites of the Tokyo and Paris MoU.

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