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SHC – meeting on 10 November



The Shipping Coordinating Committee (SHC), sponsored by the Department of State (DOS), will meet on 10 November in Washington, DC to prepare for the upcoming session of the IMO Maritime Safety Committee (MSC 97). [81 Fed. Reg. 73462](#) (10/25/16) [].

USCG – why cyber defense matters



The US Coast Guard issued a **bulletin** reminding stakeholders in the maritime sector of why cyber defense matters. Cyber attacks on critical infrastructure are a growing concern for many organizations across the globe. The Marine Transportation System is no different and has been a target of attacks, with recent network breaches, data thefts, and denial-of-service attacks. Exploited vulnerabilities can vary from the basic, such as the lack of passwords or use of default-only passwords, to configuration issues and software flaws. To achieve the level of protection and resilience needed for critical control system networks, security needs to mature from a piecemeal collection of technologies to effective cyber security governance. This includes the ability to detect abnormal behavior and prevent attacks while providing the organization with meaningful forensics to investigate breaches when they occur. (10/25/16)
[http://mariners.coastguard.dodlive.mil/2016/10/25/10252016-why-cyber-defense-matters/?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+MaritimeCommons+%28Maritime+Commons%29].

FMC – OCEAN Alliance



The Federal Maritime Commission (FMC) issued a **news release** stating that the OCEAN Alliance, a vessel sharing arrangement involving COSCO Shipping, CMA CGM, Evergreen Marine, and Orient Overseas Container Line Limited, became effective on 24 October. (10/21/16)
[<http://www.fmc.gov/NR16-24/>].

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