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USCG – continuing operations during funding lapse



The US Coast Guard posted a **notice** regarding continuing operations during the current funding lapse. It is executing an orderly suspension of some operations and activities. In general, the Coast Guard will continue operations authorized by law that provide for national security or that protect life and property. Non-exempt functions and activities must be suspended or terminated. (1/19/18) [<https://www.uscg.mil/status/>].

USCG – NOAD changes



The USCG National Vessel Movement Center (NVMC) issued a **notice** announcing that various changes will be made in 90 days that affect the Notice of Arrival/Departure (NOAD). NOAD Schema 3.4 will be retired as it is missing now-required information fields. Likewise, InfoPath Template 6.3 and NOAD Workbook 7.4, which both utilize Schema 3.4, will be retired at the same time. Additionally, at the end of this 90-day notice period, electronic NOAD submissions can only be made to enoad@nvmc.uscg.gov . (1/19/18)
[[https://www.nvmc.uscg.gov/nvmc/\(S\(w1niqt11cf5xkw1djz02yhjq\)\)/News.aspx?newsId=df26f455-c624-472b-89cf-8d4c93d7302c](https://www.nvmc.uscg.gov/nvmc/(S(w1niqt11cf5xkw1djz02yhjq))/News.aspx?newsId=df26f455-c624-472b-89cf-8d4c93d7302c)].

USCG – vessels subject to North Korean sanctions



In accordance with HR 3364 - Countering America's Adversaries Through Sanctions Act (CAATSA) Section 315, the US Coast Guard has published a **list of vessels** which are subject to the CAATSA. (1/19/18)
[[https://www.nvmc.uscg.gov/nvmc/\(S\(1j5zon21xfg1ogwwu3hfamym\)\)/caatsa.aspx](https://www.nvmc.uscg.gov/nvmc/(S(1j5zon21xfg1ogwwu3hfamym))/caatsa.aspx)].

USCG – summary of testimony at House hearing



The US Coast Guard issued a **bulletin** summarizing the testimony of RDML John Nadeau, Assistant Commandant for Prevention Policy, before the hearing of the House Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Subcommittee on the state of the US flag maritime industry. (1/19/18)
[<http://mariners.coastguard.dodlive.mil/2018/01/19/1-19-2018-summary-of-congressional-testimony-on-the-state-of-u-s-flag-maritime-industry/>].

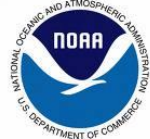
MARAD – Alert re Southern Red Sea



The Maritime Administration (MARAD) posted an Alert following two suspicious maritime incidents in the Southern Red Sea in the past two weeks. All vessels transiting the area should exercise caution. US flag commercial vessels should contact the US Navy Fifth Fleet Naval Cooperation and Guidance for Shipping (NCAGS) Detachment. **Alert 2018-001A** (1/19/18)

[<https://www.marad.dot.gov/environment-and-safety/office-of-security/msci/alert/>].

OEAB – meeting on 30-31 January



The Ocean Exploration Advisory Board (OEAB), sponsored by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), will meet in Seattle on 30-31 January. **83 Fed. Reg. 2966** (1/22/18)

[<https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2018-01-22/pdf/2018-01040.pdf>].

NOAA – giant manta ray listed as threatened



The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) promulgated a final rule listing the giant manta ray as threatened under the Endangered Species Act. The rule enters into effect on 21 February. **83 Fed. Reg. 2916** (1/22/18) [<https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2018-01-22/pdf/2018-01031.pdf>].

USN – USS Fitzgerald arrives in Pascagoula



The US Navy issued a **news release** stating that the Arleigh Burke-class guided missile destroyer USS Fitzgerald (DDG 62) arrived in Pascagoula, Mississippi, aboard heavy lift vessel MV Transshelf inward bound from Yokosuka, Japan. The restoration and modernization effort is expected to complete approximately 24-months post work commencement on the ship. (1/19/18) [http://www.navy.mil/submit/display.asp?story_id=104064].

FMC – Petition for Fair Port Practices hearings



The Federal Maritime Commission (FMC) issued a **news release** discussing the recently concluded hearing relating to the Petition for Fair Port Practices (P4-16). (1/19/18) [https://www.fmc.gov/commission_concludes_hearing_on_petition_p4-16/].

House – hearing re offshore seismic research permitting



The Subcommittee on Water, Power & Oceans of the House Committee on Natural Resources conducted an oversight hearing, “**Deficiencies in the Permitting Process for Offshore Seismic Research**”. Testimony was received from: Dr. Walter Cruickshank, BOEM; State Senator Tom Davis, South Carolina; Mr. Jon Ludwigson, GAO; and Mr. Ryan Steen, International Association of Geophysical Contractors. (1/19/18)
[<https://naturalresources.house.gov/calendar/eventsingle.aspx?EventID=403756>].

UK – national minimum wage for seafarers



The UK Department for Transport (DfT) issued its **Guide to the Application of the Equality Act 2010 and National Minimum Wage for Seafarers**. The document provides guidance on which covered seafarers in which circumstances are to be paid the UK national minimum wage (NMW) for work performed on which vessels. Most significantly, it provides that all covered seafarers on all vessels, foreign and domestic, are entitled to the NMW for work performed in UK internal waters and UK ports. (1/18/18)
[https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/674596/seafarers-employment-rights-minimum-wage.pdf].

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