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Shipping Guidance Notice 111 **Long Range Identification and Tracking System (LRIT)** *Supersedes SGN – 018 & 056 together with SIN 023*

To: Ship Owners, Operators, Master's, Classification Societies and Recognised Organisations

References:

- SOLAS Chapter V, Regulation 19-1 (as amended)
- Guidance on the implementation of the LRIT system - MSC.1/Circ.1298 (as revised)
- Revised performance standards and functional requirements for the long-range identification and tracking of ships - MSC.263(84) (as revised)
- Guidance on the survey and certification of compliance of ships with the requirement to transmit LRIT information - MSC.1/Circ.1307 (as revised)
- LRIT technical documentation (part I) - MSC.1/Circ.1259 (as revised)
- Use of the long-range identification and tracking information for maritime safety and marine environment protection purposes - MSC.242(83) (as revised)
- Guidance to search and rescue services in relation to requesting and receiving LRIT information - MSC.1/Circ.1338 (as revised)

This Shipping Guidance Notice (SGN) revises and updates Gibraltar Maritime Administration's requirements for ship borne Long Range Identification and Tracking (LRIT) Systems.

1. Background

The SOLAS V/19-1 Long Range Identification and Tracking (LRIT) regulation came into force on the 1st January 2009. The regulation applies to ships engaged on international voyages, including all passenger ships, cargo ships of 300 gross tonnes and above and Mobile Offshore Drilling Units.

All ships borne LRIT equipment must be tested and certified by an Authorised Testing Application Service Provider (ASP).

2. Authorised Service Providers

The Gibraltar Maritime Administration accepts ASP's that have been approved by the UK Maritime and Coastguard Agency (MCA) to undertake LRIT conformance testing, and whom upon successful testing are authorised to issue the required Conformance Test Report (CTR).

Details of MCA approved ASP's may be obtained via the following link:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/long-range-identification-and-tracking-testers-atasps>

3. Conformance Test Reports

Upon obtaining a CTR, operators of Gibraltar registered ships are to forward copies to the Administration for incorporation into the LRIT datacentre.

4. LRIT Data Centre

Gibraltar's National datacentre is managed by Messer's Pole Star. Further information may be obtained via the following link:

www.polestarglobal.com

<mailto:lrit-dc@polestarglobal.com>

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