



Maritime Circular No.21

To:

Ship – Owners / Managers / Operators, Registration Officers (RegOffs), Recognised Organisations (ROs), SLMARAD Departments (All)

Subject:

EU Restrictive Measures, UN Sanctions and US Sanctions against the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK).

Date:

30th July 2018

References:

**Council Implementing Decision (CFSP) 2018/331, as amended
Council Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/324, as amended
United Nations Security Council Resolution 1718 (2006), as amended
United Nations Security Council Resolution 2397 (2017), as amended
United Nations Security Council Resolution 2375 (2017), as amended
OFAC (Office of Foreign Assets Control) - North Korea Sanctions**

Purpose

It has been brought to our attention that the number of entities being included in the lists of targeted entities subject to EU Restrictive Measures, UN Sanctions and US Sanctions, has significantly increased.

Consequently, it is imperative that all owners, bareboat charterers, managers, registration officers, Class Societies and Recognized Organizations of vessels flying the Sierra Leone flag, study thoroughly the below sanction lists before entering into any agreement / transaction and before calling any Port of the said country.

Application

1. Sanctions / Restrictive Measures against Democratic People's Republic of Korea - DPRK:
 - a. Council Implementation Decision (CFSP) 2018/331, of 5 March 2018, implementing Decision (CSFP) 2016/849 concerning restrictive measures against the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.
 - b. Council Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/324, of 5 March 2018, implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/1509 concerning restrictive measures against the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.
 - c. United Nations Security Council Resolution 1718 (2006), concerning DPRK, of 14 October 2006, 1718 Sanctions Committee (DPRK), as amended, including all related resolutions, as these are amended.

- d. OFAC (Office of Foreign Assets Control) - North Korea Sanctions, as last updated by U.S. Department of the Treasury.
2. Updated versions of the EU restrictive measures against the above mentioned country are set out at www.eur-lex.europa.eu, and are published by the Official Journal of the European Union.
 3. An updated UN sanctions list is set out on the United Nations website at <https://www.un.org/sc/suborg/en>.
 4. An updated OFAC sanctions list is set out on the U.S. Department of the Treasury website at <https://www.treasury.gov/resource-center/sanctions/Programs/Pages/Programs.aspx>. Alternatively, OFAC sanctions can be accessed from OFAC's Sanctions List Search at <http://sdnsearch.ofac.treas.gov/>.
 5. It is recalled that EU, UN and US instruments have direct effect and are binding on the shipowners/ship operators and any violation may expose them to relevant penalties under legislations of the relevant bodies.
 6. Ship – Owners / Managers / Operators, Registration Officers (RegOffs), Recognised Organisations (ROs), Masters, Crew members are discouraged to participate in any activities prohibited by the EU, UN and US instruments, with respect to the above mentioned country.
 7. Sierra Leone Maritime Administration therefore prohibits the entry in any port of DPRK, unless such entry is required for humanitarian purposes or any other purposes consistent with the objectives of resolution 2397 (2017), as amended.
 8. Any Sierra Leonean vessel which stops reporting her position via her Automatic Identification System (AIS) and/or Long Range Identification and Tracking (LRIT) System, without notifying the Administration, will be considered suspicious, and will be subject to extensive investigations by the Sierra Leone Maritime Administration. In case of involvement in an illegal action, the Administration will take drastic measures in order to ensure the International peace and security.
 9. Masters, Crew members, Ship Owners, and Operators in case they are forced to participate in any illegal related activity with regards to DPRK are advised to immediate contact the Administration at info@slmarad.com
 10. In light of the above, and in order to protect the Sierra Leone Flag's interests, Sierra Leone Maritime Administration – SLMARAD, without any prejudice, reserves the right to take any actions deemed necessary against any vessel / owner / entity.
 11. The above will enter into effect as of 30th July 2018.

For additional information please contact SLMARAD at info@slmarad.com

Revision Status

Date	Revision	Comments - Changes
11/01/2017	0	Initial - Adopted
30/07/2018	1	Amendments according to updated sanctions