

**[MTC MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 04, S. 2009,
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**AMENDING MTC MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 01, SERIES OF
2008 IN THE ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATE OF PROFICIENCY FOR
SHIP SECURITY OFFICER UNDER REGULATION VI/5 OF THE
STCW CONVENTION, AS AMENDED**

Pursuant to paragraph 4 of Regulation VI/5 of the 1978 STCW Convention, as amended, and Section A-VI/5, paragraph 1-4 of the STCW Code, the MTC Memorandum Circular No. 01, Series of 2008 regarding the issuance of Certificate of Proficiency for Ship Security Officer is hereby amended.

SECTION 1. Purpose

To adopt a revised Guidelines and Procedures in the Issuance of Certificate of Proficiency for Ship Security Officer under Regulation VI/5 of the STCW Convention.

SECTION 2. Scope

This Circular applies to all application for the issuance of Certificate of Proficiency for Ship Security Officer under Regulation VI/5 of the above Convention.

SECTION 3. Definition of Terms

3.1 Convention – refers to the 1978 STCW Convention, as amended;

3.2 STCW Code – means the Seafarer’s Training, Certification and Watchkeeping Code as adopted by the 1995 Conference

3.3 Certificate of Proficiency – refers to the certificate issued to qualify seafarers under this Resolution in accordance with Chapter VI of the Convention;

3.4 ISPS Code – means the International Ship and Port Facility Security (ISPS) Code adopted on 12 December 2002 by Resolution 2 of the Conference of Contracting Government to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS), 1974, as may be amended by the organization;

3.5 Ship Security Officer – means the person on board the ship, accountable to the Master designated by the company as responsible for the security of the ship including implementation and maintenance of the ship security plan and liaison with the company security officer and port security officer.

SECTION 4. Issuance of Certificate of Proficiency for Ship Security Officer

4.1 A seafarer may be issued a Certificate of Proficiency for Ship Security Officer