

**[MIA FLAG STATE ADVISORY NO. 51, S. 2003,
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**ADDITIONAL MEASURES TO ENSURE THE SAFETY AND SECURITY
OF OUR SHIPS, THEIR PASSENGERS AND CARGOES**

To further ensure the safety and security of passengers and/or cargoes onboard ships and the people and goods that they carry, it is hereby ordered for all concerned to:

1. Be vigilant at all times 24 hours a day and 7 days a week against terrorism and drug smuggling;

2. Establish security measures at port and onboard ships as follows:

-Strictly implement the one hundred percent (100%) inspection of bags, knapsacks, boxes, merchandise, etc., of all people entering passenger terminal prior to embarkation;

-Cautiously inspect immediately or report to proper authorities, suspicious-looking packages, paper bags, and other similar packages;

Instruct port/ship security personnel/employees to immediately contact proper authorities when suspected bombs/drugs are noted;

-Be observant of people loitering around the area doing nothing and those leaving behind bags and packages/boxes in the garbage cans/bins within the premises. Vendors with knapsacks, bags and other similar belongings should be advised to move out as they may be used as courier of bombs/drugs;

-Be observant of cars/motorcycle-riding individuals who are suspiciously and constantly watching within the premises of ports/ships;

-Be cautious in opening envelopes and packages sent by unknown individuals with no return address/es;

-Safeguard from unauthorized persons restricted areas of the port/ships.

-Be on guard against the following materials/items in conducting bomb threat related inspection:

Aluminum shell 2-4 inches in length which:

1. Looks like an umbrella rod and/or;
2. With sotanghon noodle size wire that comes in pairs;