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MESSAGE: In line with the government’s initiative to reopen the economy and to facilitate smooth and efficient crew change operations in Philippine ports, disseminated herewith is the Memorandum from the Department of Transportation Undersecretary for Maritime Elmer Francisco U. Sarmiento dated 06 October 2022 regarding Crew Change at Berth. Accordingly, Section I, Item No. 1 of the Crew Change Protocol in Response to COVID-19 issued by the DOTr shall hereby be amended as follows: <i>“1. Arriving vessels shall be allowed to conduct crew change at berth in all ports designated as crew change hubs in the Philippines, subject to the availability of berth and provided that free pratique has been secured and granted.”</i> Further, as clarified during the 22 October 2022 meeting called by DOTr, crew change at berth is allowed only for diplomatic vessels/crew and cruise ships with at least fifty (50) seafarers, subject to the availability of berth spaces as maybe determined by the Philippine Ports Authority. Shipping Agents/LMAs must request approval for crew change at berth from the Bureau of Quarantine. For information and compliance.  ISIDRO V. BUTASLAC, JR. OSS Head (Cagayan de Oro) 	
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MEMORANDUM

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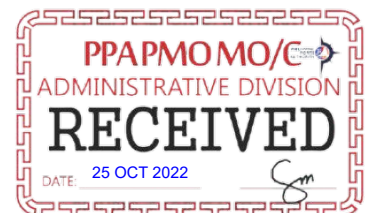
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As part of the Philippine government's initiative to reopen the economy, and in order to facilitate the smooth and efficient conduct of crew change in Philippine ports, Section I, Item No. 1 of Crew Change Protocol in Response to COVID-19 issued by this Department is hereby amended to read, as follows:

- "1. Arriving vessels shall be allowed to conduct crew change at berth in all ports designated as crew change hubs in the Philippines, subject to the availability of berth and provided that free pratique has been secured and granted."***

All issuances inconsistent herewith are revised or modified accordingly.

This Memorandum takes effect immediately.


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