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Adopting the Protocol of resuming UAE Maritime activities with safety measures and the crew changes in UAE Ports and Waters.

To:
- All Port Authorities in UAE.
- All ship owners.
- All ships managers, operators, agents and anyone who engaged in providing services for seafarer’s onboard ships.
- All seafarers serving on board ships.
- To whomsoever it may concern.

In light of the continuous coordination with the competent authorities and the success of the efforts to contain the pandemic Corona Virus (COVID-19) in UAE, The Federal Transport Authority has decided to adopt and enforce from the date of this circular the Protocol of resuming UAE Maritime activities with safety measures (as attached) as part of the procedures for the gradual return of maritime activities in UAE.

In recognition of the seafarer’s role in the shipping industry and the continuity of global supply chains and cargo flow and based on the outcomes of the Maritime Summit on Crew Changes held on the 9th of July 2020 with the participation of UAE to facilitate crew changes, the protocol includes the permission to resume of crew changes activities in UAE ports and waters.

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