INFORMATIONS REGARDING THE SHELTER OF SHIPS IN NEED OF ASSISTANCE AND THE PROVISION OF A PLACE OF REFUGE

The plan shall be applied when a ship occurs to be in danger and reported a problem such as: malfunction aboard, a deficiency or an accident on cargo loss, an accidental oil spillage, fire or explosion on board, collision, hull damage etc. and requests assistance. The Plan sets out the way in which the Romanian authorities respond to all the threats presented by ships in danger and in need of assistance. The ship requesting the assistance for provision of a place of refuge shall not be, in the opinion of the shipmaster, in danger of sinking or intensification of a fire on board because such a case requires the immediate evacuation of the entire crew. The ship requesting the assistance may evacuate some of the people on board provided that the remained crew on board shall assist the ship operation in the place of refuge. The plan does not apply in cases of danger in which shall be applied The Cooperation Plan on Search and Rescue of Life at Sea-SAR.

Situations when a ship may request a place of refuge:

- fire on board that cannot be controlled;
- explosion on board with serious consequences;
- collision with serious consequences;
- malfunctions that may occur when the ships enter or leave to/from the port and present an immediate danger to the ship;
- damage to hull that cannot be controlled;
- grounding with serious consequences;
- serious impact upon the ship stability;
- pollution.

Responsible authority for receiving the alerts:

Romanian Naval Authority, through the MRCC Department, within Maritime Coordination Centre (CMC)

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Hours of operation: 0.00 - 24.00; 7/365

The competent authority for making decision on the acceptance or refusal for sheltering in a place of refuge for a ship in need of assistance is:

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