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MARINE CIRCULAR

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FOR: Ship Owners, Ship Managers, Ship Operators, Ship Masters, Ship Officers, Classification Societies, Port State Control Inspectors, Flag State Inspectors

**SUBJECT: GUIDANCE FOR THE RECORDING OF OPERATIONS IN THE OIL RECORD BOOK
PART I – MACHINERY SPACE OPERATIONS (ALL SHIPS)**

PURPOSE: This Marine Circular is to disseminate to all stakeholders the above guidance approved by IMO through the Marine Environment Protection Committee (MEPC) at its sixty-first session held from 27 September to 1 October 2010.

REFERENCES: MEPC.1/Circ.736

The Tuvalu Ship Registry would like to inform all stakeholders that the Marine Environment Protection Committee, at its sixty-first session held from 27 September to 1 October 2010, approved the Guidance for recording of operations in the Oil Record Book Part I – Machinery space operations (all ships). This can be found under paragraph 7.38 of the final report of MEPC 61 (Annex II) which led to the publication of MEPC.1/Circ.736 (Annex I) on 8 November 2010.

The Guidance is intended to facilitate compliance with MARPOL requirements on board ships by providing advice to crews on how to record the various operations in the Oil Record Book by using the correct codes and item numbers in order to ensure a more uniform port State control procedure.

Governments Parties to MARPOL have been invited to encourage implementation of the above Guidance for use aboard ships flying their flags and to disseminate it among all stakeholders including ship operators, surveyors and port State control officers.

The Annexes relating to the subject are:

1. **Annex I** : MEPC.1/Circ.736 – Guidance for the Recording of Operations in the Oil Record Book Part I – Machinery Space Operations (All Ships)
2. **Annex II** : MEPC.61 – Report of the Marine Environment Protection Committee on its Sixty-First Session

The above documents can be downloaded from the appropriate Annexes of this Marine Circular.

Yours sincerely

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