## Circular letter on fair treatment of seafarers in connection with marine accidents in Danish waters

(For authorities considering cases related to seafarers in connection with accidents in Danish waters)
This circular letter is issued in agreement with the Ministry of Defence, the Ministry of the Interior and Health, the Ministry of Integration, the Ministry of Justice and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

All authorities considering cases related to marine accidents in Danish waters shall, within the general scope of the law, pay consideration to the relevant provisions in the guidelines on fair treatment of seafarers adopted by the United Nations' International Maritime Organization.1)

The guidelines, which were adopted by the IMO on 27 April 2006, are printed as an annex to this circular.

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1) Reference is made to article 18 of Directive 2009/18/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 April 2009 establishing the fundamental principles governing the investigation of accidents in the maritime transport sector and article 19(4) of Directive 2002/59/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 June 2002 establishing a Community vessel traffic monitoring and information system, as amended by directive 2009/17/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 April 2009.