Periodic servicing of launching appliances and on-load release gear" Regulation 20.11 of Chapter III of SOLAS 1974 as amended

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To all Owners, Managers and Representatives of Ships under the Cyprus Flag Authorised Classification Societies Inspectors of Cyprus Ships

With reference to the above subject please note the following clarifications and instructions which will apply henceforth to Cyprus ships:

- 1. The tests and examinations and overhauling required by paragraphs 11.1.2, 11.1.3 and 11.2.3 of Chapter III of the SOLAS 1974 Convention as amended, shall be carried during the special survey of a particular vessel.
- 2. If the next special survey of a vessel is due after the 1st of July 2003, the above mentioned tests, examination and overhauling shall be carried out during the next dry-docking or during an annual or renewal safety equipment survey, or during the renewal survey of Passenger Ship Safety Certificate, but not later than the 1st of July 2003.
- 3. The dynamic test required by paragraph 6.1.2.5.2 of the International Life-Saving Appliance Code (LSA Code) is not applicable for the winch brakes of launching appliances of ships constructed before the 1st of July 1986 which do not comply with the requirements of Regulation 48 of Chapter III of the SOLAS 1974 convention as amended by the 1983 amendments (SOLAS 74/83).
- 4. The test required by regulation 20.11.2.3 of Chapter III of the Convention is not applicable for the lifeboats of ships constructed before the 1st of July 1986, which do not comply with the requirements of Regulation 41.7.6.2.2 of Chapter III of SOLAS 74/83.

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