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To all Owners, Managers
and Representatives of
Ships under the Cyprus Flag

**Subject: Focused Inspection Campaign (FIC) On SOLAS Chapter VI / Regulation 5 –
Stowage And Securing**

Further to the above matter I wish to inform you that the Australian Maritime Safety Authority (AMSA) has recently released new Marine Notice 2/2010 advising for a new three month Focused Inspection Campaign (FIC) between 1 February to 30 April 2010. AMSA's intention is basically to ensure that Masters fulfil their obligations under regulation 5 of Chapter VI of SOLAS relating to the safe stowage and securing of cargo. The FIC will concentrate on containers securing equipment, both fixed and portable.

The full Marine Notice can be accessed at:
http://www.amsa.gov.au/Shipping_Safety/Marine_Notices/2010/02.10.pdf

Owners and managers of ships under the Cyprus flag are urged to take all appropriate actions to avoid unnecessary detentions of their ships.

The present Circular should be kept on board ships flying the Cyprus flag.

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