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Mr Hans -Henrik Madsen
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Dear Mr Madsen,

This refers to your letter to this Agency dated 03 May 1999 requesting for the approval of your manufactured inflatable liferaft (ILR) for use on board Philippines registered vessels.

Based on our review of the information you provided, and on the type approvals by the DMA and the USCG, and on the DNV certificates, we will permit the use of the following liferafts aboard Philippine Flag vessels:

1. Throw-over-board liferafts: 6DK, 8DK, 10DK, 12 DK, 16 DK, 20 DK, 25 DK, and 50 DK
2. Davit launchable liferafts: 12 DKF, 16 DKF, 20 DKF, 25 DKF and 35 DKF.


This acceptance is based upon compliance with all the terms and conditions of the DMA approvals dated 12 March 1997 and the USCG approvals dated 01 July 1998. This includes any required inspections and testing to ensure compliance with IMO Resolution A.689(17) and the SOLAS Convention, as amended.

We would like to inform you also, that we are requiring the *soft pack* first aid kit and the orange smoke signal for our "EMERGENCY PACK B" even for vessels in the domestic trade.

In general, this acceptance will remain valid for the terms (including any extension) of the DMA and USCG approvals specified above. You will be notified in writing if we find it necessary to withdraw our acceptance of your equipment.

Looking forward to a harmonious working relation with you in the interest of sea safety, I remain

Truly yours,


MANUEL I DE LEON
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