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Object: PR STW 01 NFD – Ministerial Decree of 1 March 2016 – COVID-19 (CORONAVIRUS) EMERGENCY – Renewal of certificates of competency (Coc's) for registered seafarers.

In view of the continuing health emergency, further to what was established in the aforementioned circular, it is hereby communicated that certificates of competency held by seafarers who are already on board or are about to go on board are automatically extended to 31/12/2020 with no need for the holder to submit an application. The following limitations apply:

- a) The validity of the certificate cannot be extended beyond 31/12/2020;
- b) The extension is granted to personnel already on board who hold certificates of competency that have expired or are about to expire and to personnel about to go on board.

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