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To: All IMO Members  
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Subject: **Communication from the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran**

The Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran has sent the attached communication, dated 16 March 2021, with the request that it be circulated by the Organization.



**In The Name Of God**  
**Ministry of Road & Urban Development**  
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Secretary General of IMO  
Subject: Extension of Seafarers' certificates

H.E. Kitack Lim  
Secretary General of IMO

With reference to the Circular letter 4216, regarding the extension of the validity of the seafarers' certificates during the Covid 19 pandemic, I would like to further update you on our new measures.

Based on the conditions for the extension of seafarers' certificates including endorsements, COCs, COPs and medical certificates, we would like to grant further extensions from the onset of Covid 19 outbreak until 21 September 2021.

We would therefore like to ask the secretariat to kindly consider the extension of the seafarers' certificates and have this information communicated to all member states of IMO.

Your valuable attention to this matter is highly appreciated.  
Yours Sincerely,

Mohammad Rastad  
Vice Minister and Managing Director of PMO