



**MARITIME INDUSTRY AUTHORITY**

**MARINA ADVISORY NO. 2012-14**  
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**TO: MARITIME EDUCATION AND TRAINING (MET) PROVIDERS  
AND ALL CONCERNED**

**SUBJECT: MORATORIUM ON THE ACCREDITATION OF NEW TRAINING  
COURSES**

Notice is hereby given that by virtue Executive Order (E.O.) No. 75, issued on 30 April 2012, the Department of Transportation and Communications (DOTC) through the Maritime Industry Authority (MARINA) was designated as the single administration in the Philippines responsible for the oversight in the implementation of the 1978 International Convention on Standards Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers (STCW Convention), as amended.

Be it informed further that under Section 1 of E.O. 75, the DOTC through the MARINA is tasked to exercise oversight and supervision over all qualification requirements and conditions under the STCW Convention, as amended, relating to maritime education, training and certification, subject to existing and applicable laws.

Pursuant to the transitional provisions of the 2010 Manila Amendments of the STCW Convention, there is a need to ensure that all MET providers are able to align, adjust the implementation of the 1995 STCW Convention to comply with the standards of the 2010 STCW amendments.

Given these developments, there is a need for MARINA to ensure that existing number of accredited Maritime Education and Training (MET) providers are fully monitored to warrant sustained compliance with the requirements of the STCW Convention, as amended,

WHEREFORE, in view of the above premises, there is hereby imposed a moratorium in the accreditation of new training courses until such time that the DOTC through the MARINA, has fully established a new set of policies, rules and procedures governing the accreditation of training courses. Applications that have already been submitted and under process by the MARINA prior to the issuance of this Advisory shall not be prejudiced.

This Advisory takes effect immediately.

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