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TO : ALL SHIP OWNERS, SHIP OPERATORS, SHIP MANAGERS, MASTER AND OFFICERS, CREW OF PHILIPPINE-REGISTERED SHIPS ENGAGED IN OVERSEAS TRADE, AND ALL OTHER CONCERNED

SUBJECT : TRAVEL ADVISORY TO ALL VESSELS PLYING THEIR TRADE IN THE LIBYAN COAST

This is to inform all concerned that the Department of Foreign Affairs, through the Philippine Embassy in Tripoli, Libya was able to arrange for the release of thirteen (13) Filipino crew members of a foreign-registered ship, M/T Levante, who were repatriated to Manila on 17 February 2018. Unfortunately, seven (7) crew members, including the ship's captain, continue to be held on charges, allegedly, for fuel smuggling. Their case is yet to be tried in a Libyan court.

Nevertheless, the Department of Foreign Affairs has already conveyed its grave concern to the Libyan Embassy in Manila over the continued detention of the seven (7) Filipino seafarers.

In view of the foregoing, all concerned with ships plying their trade in international waters off the Libyan coast should exercise extreme caution and adopt the necessary security measures when traveling in the said area.


For the information and guidance of all concerned.


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