



## MARITIME INDUSTRY AUTHORITY

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**TO : ALL MARINA CENTRAL AND REGIONAL OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES, SHIPPING COMPANIES AND SHIPPING OPERATORS, OTHER MARITIME ENTITIES CONCERNED**

**SUBJECT : GRAFT AND CORRUPTION**

Information received from reliable sources disclosed graft and corruption committed by some MARINA Personnel in relation to the enforcement of tonnage and loadline regulations (undertonnage / loadline adjustments among others) which put at risk the safety of ship passengers, cargo and crew.

This malpractice is reportedly committed by some safety Engineers / Inspectors in collusion with several shipping companies who offer bribes (Food, cash, services, etc. There is even information that some MARINA personnel are in the payroll of some shipping companies).

Similarly, there are reports of graft and corruption committed by some MARINA personnel in relation to the issuance of certificates, permits and licenses.

In this regard, all MARINA personnel are directed to desist from accepting any gifts / favors from entities that transact business with MARINA. MARINA personnel are also directed to: strictly implement and enforce policies and regulations; expeditiously act on all official concerns brought before their attention; and to inform those concerned of actions taken.

In the meantime, investigations are already ongoing to gather evidence against those reportedly involved in graft and corruption. I assure you that those found guilty will get the punishment that they deserve. I will not allow the misdeeds of a few errant and unscrupulous personnel to tarnish the good image of MARINA and its many hardworking, honest employees.

Also, all MARINA personnel are reminded that, by our oath, it is our duty to stop graft and corruption in our agency, and we are all liable if it is found that we have countenanced or tolerated the commission of such.

Directive from Administrator **REY LEONARDO B GUERRERO**.

For information and strict compliance.

  
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