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TO : ALL SHIPOWNERS/ BAREBOAT CHARTERERS / SHIP OPERATORS/ SHIP MANAGERS/ SHIP MASTERS, OFFICERS, CREW OF PHILIPPINE-REGISTERED OVERSEAS SHIPS, LICENSED MANNING AGENCIES, RECOGNIZED ORGANIZATIONS AND CONCERNED AGENCIES

SUBJECT : URGENT NOTICE BY GREECE RE: M/T "SOUNION, IMO NO. 9312145

In reference to the International Maritime Organization (IMO) Circular Letter No. 4916 dated 30 August 2024, the Government of Greece requested that the urgent notice on M/T Sounion with IMO No. 9312145 be disseminated to all IMO Member States.

The Greek-flagged Oil Tanker "SOUNION" was attacked on 21 August 2024 by projectiles, west of Yemen's port of Hodeidah in the Red Sea, resulting to loss of engine power. Following the first attack, on 22 August 2024, the ship was evacuated its crew (25 seafarers) and no death or injury of the crew was reported. The crew was transferred safely to Djibouti by a naval asset of the EU operation "EUNAVFOR ASPIDES".

After the second attack, the vessel has been on fire in at least five locations on the main deck since 23 August 2024. The continuing fire on board has been confirmed on 28 August 2024 by EUNAVFOR ASPIDES.

Further, according to a satellite image obtained on 29 August 2024 by the Satellite Services of European Maritime Safety Agency (EMSA), a potential spill of about 2.2 n.m. length has been detected. The position of the oil spill matches with the location of the ship.

The condition of the tanker, under such circumstances, which carries 150,000 tons of crude oil poses a serious environmental hazard for the Red Sea marine environment.

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Thus, the Government of Greece urges all nations and all actors involved to assist in preventing the environmental hazard and resolving the situation the soonest possible.

Copy of the IMO Circular Letter may be viewed at or downloaded from:
<https://marina.gov.ph/marina-advisory-flag-state-administration-advisory/>.

For the information and guidance of all concerned.

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