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# MARINE NOTICE

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## NOTICE TO INFORM MSAF OF ANY FUMIGATION EXERCISE ON SHIP

You are all requested to notify the Maritime Safety Authority of Fiji (MSAF) as soon as you receive a Fumigation Notice from the Biosecurity Authority of Fiji (BAF). This is a pro-active measure that MSAF is taking to ensure that the lives of all seafarers are protected.

The following notice is put forward as a result of a recent accident where fumigation conducted on a ship whilst in Fiji leaked into the pipes and entered the engine control room. As a consequence some of the crew suffered from exposure to fumigants and hospitalised as a result.

Ships that are subject to fumigation of its cargo spaces or accommodation should notify CEO MSAF on receipt of Fumigation Notice as soon as possible so that MSAF Port State Control Officer can be delegated to attend to the Risk Assessment, Safety Meeting and Evacuation of Crew to suitable shore accommodation. For the above purposes, MSAF will be drawing up a checklist which will be distributed to all shipping agents for distribution to ships entering its Ports of Call.

Please do not hesitate to contact Mr Samuela Bulimetuira our senior port state control officer on mobile phone number 809 3552 and email: [sbulimetuira@msaf.com.fj](mailto:sbulimetuira@msaf.com.fj) should you wish to report a fumigation or for any concerns you may wish to raise in regards to fumigation.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'PHILL', is written over a large, stylized, light-colored scribble.

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