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Sayın Üyemiz,

Uluslararası Deniz Ticaret Odası (International Chamber of Shipping-ICS) tarafından gönderilen 21 Eylül 2020 tarihli Ek'te sunulan yazıda, Dünya Sağlık Örgütü'nün (World Health Organization-WHO) yayınladığı, 20 Eylül 2020 tarihi itibarıyla bütün ülkelerden bildirilen "Yeni Koronavirüs" (COVID-19) akut solunum yolu hastalık vaka tablosunu içeren güncel istatistik bilgileri Odamıza iletilmiştir.

Bahse konu yazıda, 20 Eylül 2020 tarihi itibarıyla toplam 30.675.675 COVID-19 vakası tespit edildiği, bir önceki haftaya kıyasla yeni vaka sayısında küçük bir artış gözlemlendiği, birçok ülkenin halihazırda uygun test ekipmanına sahip olmadığı için tüm vakaların rapor edilemediği ve bu nedenle sayıların artacağı belirtilmekte olup, rapor tarihi itibarıyla en fazla COVID-19 vakası tespit edilen ilk 12 ülke, COVID-19 salgını vaka ve vefat sayılarının olduğu tablo ve ülkeler hakkında güncel bilgiler yer almaktadır.

Ayrıca yazıda, Paris MoU tarafından yayımlanan Liman Devleti Kontrol idareleri için tavsiyelerin bulunduğu COVID-19 ile ilgili geçici rehber erişim sağlanan **web adresi**, COVID-19 salgını boyunca personel değişimi sürecinde yaşanan problemlere dikkat çekmek için 24 Eylül 2020 tarihinde düzenlenecek webinarın tanıtım broşürü, Liberya Denizcilik İdaresi'nin "COVID-19 Salgını Sırasında Denizciler İçin Yıllık Ücretli İzin ve Gemide Maksimum Hizmet Süresinin Ertelenmesi" konulu yazısı, Panama Denizcilik İdaresi'nin "COVID-19 Salgını Sürecinde Denizci İş Sözleşmesi ve Sertifikalar" konulu yazısı, Singapur tarafından oluşturulan "Personel Değişimi İçin Ülkeleri Desteklemeye Yönelik Küresel Üçlü Girişim" başlıklı SG Star Fonu'nun medya bülteni, Singapur Hava Yolları'nın Eylül, Ekim ve Kasım 2020 aylarına ait uçuş programı, Scoot Hava Yolu firmasının Eylül 2020 ayına ait uçuş programı ve Uluslararası Denizcilik Örgütü (IMO) Genel Sekreteri'nin personel değişikliği krizine ilişkin kaleme aldığı yazısı bulunmaktadır.

Bilgilerinize arz/rica ederim.

Saygılarımla,

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- 4- Panama Denizcilik İdaresi'nin Yazısı (13 sayfa)
- 5- Singapur SG Star Fonu Medya Bülteni (5 sayfa)
- 6- Singapur Hava Yolları Uçuş Programı (25 sayfa)
- 7- Scoot Hava Yolu Uçuş Programı (13 sayfa)
- 8- IMO Genel Sekreteri'nin Yazısı (2 sayfa)

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**TO: LABOUR AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
ALL MEMBERS & ASSOCIATE MEMBERS
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COVID-19 UPDATE AS OF 20 SEPTEMBER 2020

Action Required: *Members are invited to note:*

- ***Information below provided by WHO for 21 September 2020.***
- ***General Information regarding Covid 19 issued in the last few days in report below.***
- ***Information provided on the COVID-19 and Maritime Crew Changes: A humanitarian, safety, and economic crisis webinar to raise awareness for seafarers and the urgent issue of crew changes on World Maritime Day 2020. At Annex 1. Online during the high-level opening week of the 75th session of the UN General Assembly September 2020 14:00-15:15 CET (8:00-9:15 EDT).***
- ***Port State Control advice relating to covid 19 from Paris MoU is available at https://www.parismou.org/system/files/PSCIRC97%20-%20TEMPORARY%20GUIDANCE%20RELATED%20TO%20COVID-19%20REV.4%20FINAL_1.pdf***
- ***Liberia Maritime Authority Certificates and Surveys at Annex 2***
- ***Panama Circular Coronavirus and Seafarers employment agreement and Certificates – Annex 3***
- ***Singapore Star fund – Annex 4***
- ***Singapore Airlines Flight Schedules – Annex 5***
- ***Scoot's Flight Schedules for September 2020 – Annex 6***

- ***IMO Circular on Coronavirus (COVID 19) – Communication from the Secretary-General regarding the crew change crisis at Annex 7***

216 countries have now reported 30,675,675 confirmed cases of COVID-19 (6.64%) 2,037,723 additional cases were confirmed since a week ago which is an increase compared to the previous week. There have also been an increase in the number of fatalities over the last week with 37,000 additional deaths in the last week. However, many countries still cannot report all cases due to insufficient testing equipment so numbers will be considerably higher. 9 Countries are also now declaring themselves COVID-19 free compared to 8 last week.

SITUATION IN NUMBERS BY WHO REGION

Region	Cases	Deaths
Global	30,675,675	954,417
Africa	1,145,397	24,757
Americas	15,466,584	527,837
Eastern Mediterranean	2,215,733	57,641
Europe	5,195,853	229,802
South-East Asia	6,073,462	101,700
Western Pacific	577,905	12,667

To get specific information about a country please visit the WHO-Covid-19 dashboard. [Link](#).

TOP 12 COUNTRIES WITH CASES AS AT 21 September 2020 (Greatest first)

	This Week	Last Week	Status
1	United States of America	United States of America	The Same
2	India	India	The Same
3	Brazil	Brazil	The Same
4	Russia	Russia	The Same
5	Peru	Peru	The Same
6	Colombia	Colombia	The Same
7	Mexico	Mexico	The Same
8	South Africa	South Africa	The Same
9	Spain	Spain	The Same
10	Argentina	Argentina	The Same
11	Chile	Chile	The Same
12	France	Iran	Changed

TOP 12 COUNTRIES

	WITH INCREASING CASES RECORDED YESTERDAY	WITH HIGHEST FATALITIES RECORDED YESTERDAY
1	India	India
2	United States of America	Mexico

3	Brazil	Brazil
4	France	USA
5	Argentina	Argentina
6	Colombia	Iran
7	Russia	Colombia
8	Peru	Indonesia
9	Mexico	Russia
10	Israel	Iraq
11	Indonesia	Turkey
12	United Kingdom	Philippines

General Information

Australia

This information has kindly been advised by MIAL. In what can only be described as a highly regrettable situation, the Department of Agriculture advised that a party of 4 crew arriving by air was found to be bringing in prohibited goods (mostly meat products, including pork) in large quantities and had not declared them.

As a result, 2 had their visas cancelled at the airport (and were presumably made to leave the country); a third had other enforcement action taken (we assume a fine).

It is understandable that crews joining ships at this time might be concerned about how long they will be at sea and therefore try to bring excess 'goods' with them. It is equally understandable that Australian biosecurity will be very tough on them if those goods are prohibited. And even tougher if they do not declare them.

It is a huge shame that this happened. Everyone knows how much effort it takes to get crew into the country and to have them achieved that to then be sent home is a great pity. Similarly, perhaps the crew they were relieving now must remain on board while the ship tries to organise another crew change at some future time.

The message is clear – incoming seafarers MUST declare what they are bringing in and if they bring food products it is highly likely these will be confiscated from them. To not declare goods could result in their visa being cancelled and immediate deportation. Please ensure your crew and your crewing companies understand the seriousness of this and comply at all times with Australia's strict biosecurity requirements.

Africa

Covid-Organics was launched in Madagascar in April after being tested on fewer than 20 people over three weeks

The World Health Organization (WHO) has agreed rules for the testing of African herbal remedies to fight Covid-19. Sound science would be the sole basis for safe and effective

traditional therapies to be adopted, it said. Any traditional remedies that are judged effective could be fast-tracked for large-scale manufacturing.

Madagascar's leader has been promoting an untested product he says can cure the disease despite the WHO warning against using untested remedies.

The WHO said the new rules were aimed at helping and empowering scientists in Africa to conduct proper clinical trials.

The move comes as the number of confirmed cases of coronavirus worldwide passes 30 million, with reported global deaths standing at over 957,000. In Africa there have been more than 1.3 million cases and 33,000 reported deaths. Around 140 potential vaccines for Covid-19 are being developed globally, with dozens already being tested on people in clinical trials.

Alongside these efforts, the green light has now been given for phase three clinical trials using African traditional medicines. A panel of experts, set up by the WHO, the Africa Centre for Disease Control and Prevention and the African Union Commission for Social Affairs, has agreed on the protocols.

Phase three trials usually test the safety and efficacy of a drug on larger groups of participants. "Adoption of the technical documents will ensure universally acceptable clinical evidence of the efficacy of herbal medicines for the treatment of Covid-19 is generated without compromising the safety of participants," said Prof Matsabisa, the panel's chairman. "The onset of Covid-19, like the Ebola outbreak in West Africa, has highlighted the need for strengthened health systems and accelerated research and development programmes, including on traditional medicines," WHO's Dr Tumusiime said in the statement. In April, Madagascar's President Rajoelina launched Covid-Organics to great fanfare, saying it was a prevention and remedy. It had been tested on 20 people over a period of three weeks.

Mr Rajoelina stands by the herbal concoction, despite the country having had 15,925 coronavirus infections and 216 Covid-19 deaths. The drink, which has also been sent to dozens of African countries, is produced by the Malagasy Institute of Applied Research from the artemisia plant - an ingredient used in malaria treatment - and other Malagasy plants. Dr Tumusiime said that via the WHO's African Vaccine Regulatory Forum, there was now a way for clinical trials of medicines in the region to be assessed and approved in under 60 days.

Europe

England could see tighter measures to contain the virus which are already happening in other parts of Europe. In the Spanish capital Madrid, strict new measures have come into force after a sharp rise in cases and deaths. Under the new restrictions, over 800,000 residents have been ordered to stay at home, and are only being allowed out for essential reasons such as to travel to work or to go to the doctor.

The measures have proved contentious, with some residents protesting against what they see as discrimination against poorer areas.

At the same time, restrictions are being imposed in parts of the Netherlands, with bars being told to close early and tighter limits on gatherings.

Last week new regulations were announced in Iceland, Denmark and parts of France, too.

India

Taken from Shruti Menon and Shadab Nazmi in Delhi. BBC Reality Check 30 June

Fake or misleading news can have a real impact on those who find themselves the targets. This has been a particular problem in India during the pandemic, where reliable sources of news are frequently drowned out by unverified information online.

False information has had serious consequences for minority communities as well as some business sectors such as the meat industry. The BBC Reality Check team looked at the extent of misinformation and some of those directly affected. India's religious fault lines are an important theme across false stories spreading online, something further highlighted by the coronavirus outbreak. Reviewing claims debunked by five Indian fact-checking websites between January and June this year. They fall under four broad headings:

- Coronavirus outbreak
- February's Delhi riots
- Citizenship Amendment Act
- Claims about the Muslim minority

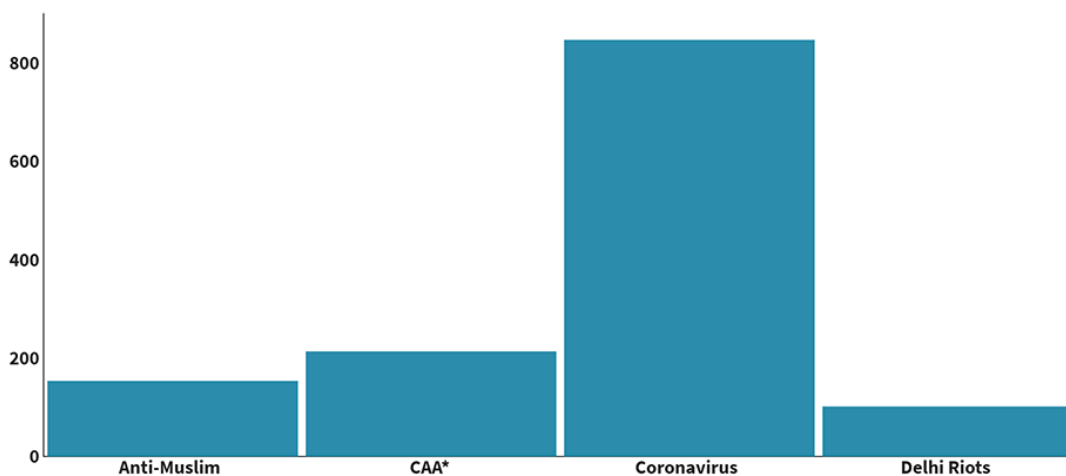
Of the 1,447 fact-checks on five Indian websites, claims around coronavirus dominated, comprising 58%. This was largely related to false cures, lockdown rumours and conspiracy theories about the origins of the virus.

Between January and early March (before covid-19 took hold), fake news was dominated by the Citizenship Amendment Act, a new law that offers citizenship to people from three neighbouring countries, but only if they are not Muslim. The law led to protests across India by those who said it would marginalise Muslims.

Riots in mainly Muslim neighbourhoods in north-east Delhi in February also fuelled a lot of misleading claims around that time. This included doctored videos, fake images, reusing old videos and images in a different context, fake messages, and messages with fake attributions.

Categories of misinformation debunked

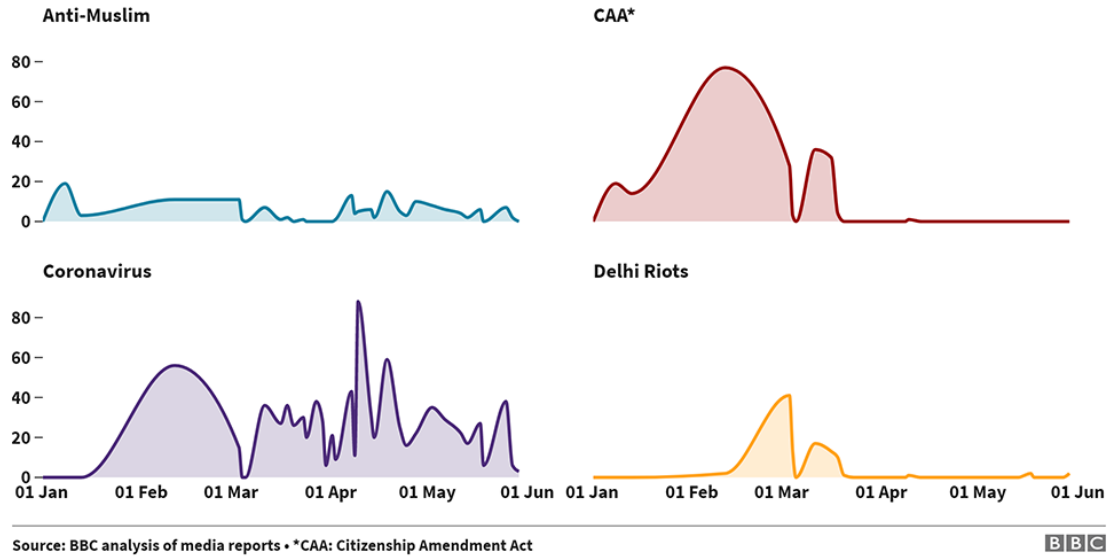
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Source: BBC analysis of media reports • *CAA: Citizenship Amendment Act

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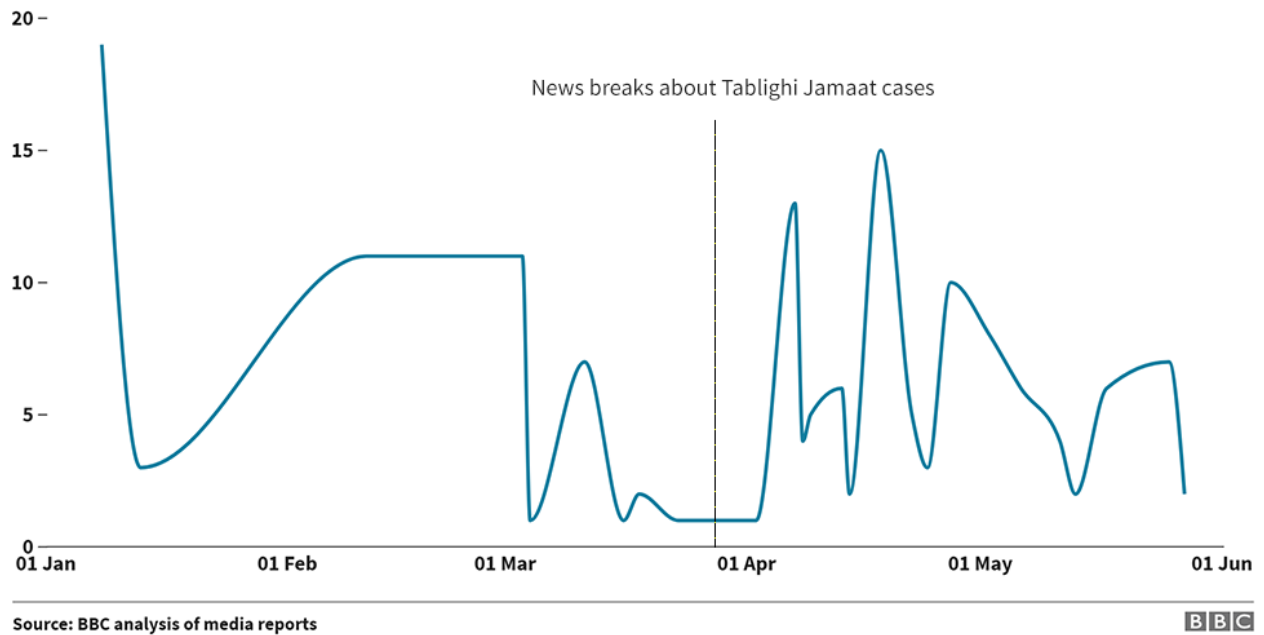
Misinformation debunked over time



What happened when coronavirus hit India?

The analysis found that misinformation targeting Muslims spiked in the first week of April, after several members of an Islamic group called the Tablighi Jamaat, who had attended a religious gathering in Delhi, tested positive. As more group members tested positive, false claims about Muslims deliberately spreading the virus became viral.

Misinformation targeted at Muslims



In several parts of India, there were calls for an economic boycott of Muslim businesses.

Vegetable seller Imran - who didn't want to use his real name - told the BBC that when a fake video on WhatsApp said to show a Muslim man spitting on bread went viral, calls for a boycott of Muslims grew. "We were scared to enter villages where we would usually go to sell vegetables," said Imran, who lives in Uttar Pradesh state. Imran and other vegetable vendors from his community now only sell their produce at a city market.

In Delhi, the Minorities Commission, which aims to safeguard the rights of minority communities, formally notified the police of the need to act against people stopping Muslims from entering residential areas or carrying on with their business.

"Not only people who were associated with the Tablighi Jamaat [were attacked], there were attacks on Muslims in all parts of India," advised Zafarul Islam, the commission chairman.

False claims were also widely spread in India that eating vegetarian food and eliminating meat from the diet could prevent coronavirus. The government launched campaigns to stop the spread of such misinformation. False WhatsApp messages and social media posts impacted on both Muslim and non-Muslim groups involved in the meat industry. The Indian authorities assessed that by April, misinformation about meat-eating generally had contributed to losses of up to 130bn rupees (£1.43bn) in the poultry industry.

Poultry is one of the main meats eaten in India. "We were giving away chicken for free as we didn't know what to do with the stock," said Sujit Prabhavle, a meat trader in Maharashtra. "Our sales fell by 80%," a message on WhatsApp said eating chicken would spread coronavirus, so people stopped buying meat," said Mr Baraskar, a Maharashtra meat seller.

Some viral false information has included fake claims that former top Indian cricketer Sachin Tendulkar asked for meat shops to shut. "When misinformation comes from trusted sources, people believe anything without fact-checking it," said Pratik Sinha, Alt-News website. The meat industry was not the only victim of fake news. The fall in sales of poultry had a major knock-on effect on the sale of eggs and maize which goes into much of chicken feed. The sale of eggs fell by 30% in Delhi, 21% in Mumbai and 52% in Hyderabad between January and June, according to official data. Maize farmers now sell their produce up to 35% lower than the minimum support price offered by the Indian government due to the fall in demand.

The Taj Mahal has reopened to visitors after six months - the longest it has ever been shut. The entire campus was sanitised before opening at 08:00 local time (04:00 BST), and officials were seen wearing masks and face shields. Authorities have also said there will be temperature checks at the entrance, and visitors will have to buy tickets digitally. It will also now only allow 5,000 visitors a day. Before covid19, the monument drew about 70,000 people daily. It last shut briefly in 1978 after Agra, flooded, and before that it was closed for a few days in 1971 during a war between India and Pakistan.

Hong Kong

Hong Kong have advised that the information provided in the ASA report on ports is out of date. Please find the latest table (dated 28 July 2020) which can also be found at https://www.mardep.gov.hk/en/pub_services/ocean/pdf/notice_summary_vessels.pdf

Lebanon

1,006 coronavirus cases have been reported in a single day, the highest number since the virus was detected in the country in February. This raises the red flag in a country of nearly

four million which houses another million refugees. Hospitals and medical facilities are overwhelmed with cases.

Many people here are concerned and are following protection rules to the letter, but it is hard to enforce the hygiene measures on everyone in public areas especially in poor, densely populated neighbourhoods. Schools and universities have reopened virtually with mostly online classes and a few physical ones where the number of students is limited.

The country's economy is collapsing and it hit rock bottom after the blast in August that destroyed many parts of the city and killed nearly 200. Another lockdown will be difficult for many people whose businesses have suffered a year-long economic collapse.

New Zealand

Most of New Zealand, which recorded no new cases of the virus today, is being moved to the lowest alert setting today. Prime Minister Jacinda Ardern said everywhere except the most populous city Auckland would be downgraded to level one. Auckland's alert, meanwhile, will move down from 2.5 to two on Wednesday, meaning that the limit on gatherings will increase from 10 people to 100. It could join the rest of the country after a review in two weeks.

New Zealand has recorded just 25 deaths in a population of five million, and earlier this year had 102 days without community transmission following a strict two-month lockdown.

The lifting of restrictions means that mass gatherings, such as the first Bledisloe Cup rugby test between the All Blacks and Australia in the capital Wellington on 11 October, can go ahead without any restrictions.

Singapore

There is a slight grammar and editorial update on the SG Crew Change Guidebook ver4. The Latest edited version is found here : <https://www.ssa.org.sg/images/ssa/pdf/SG-Crew-Change-Guidebook.pdf> . Flight information for Singapore is also attached in the Annexes .

South Africa

ICS have been advised of the following information from Intermanager

South Africa will open its borders for international flights on October 1, announced President **Cyril Ramaphosa** in his latest address to the nation earlier this evening, Wednesday, September 16. This comes as the country moves to national lockdown alert level 1 at midnight on Sunday, September 20, on the back of the daily rate of infections continuing to slow down to fewer than 2 000 per day. At peak, the number of infections was up to 10 000 to 15 000 per day. The recovery rate is currently at 89%.

The opening of borders will be based on certain restrictions and those countries with high infection rates may be prevented from entering South Africa. Ramaphosa said a list of the countries that fell into the high-risk category would be published over the next few days.

South Korea

Information has kindly been verified by ASA with KSA and another ASA associate member a ship's agent in South Korea.

1. Does this apply to crew travelling from the 'special country' or crew that joined in the 'special country' ?

- It will be applied to crew that joined in the special country and in this case, crews need PCR test certification which is issued by appointed from Korea Government in Special country.

* Special country : Pakistan, Bangladesh, Kazakhstan, Philippines, Uzbekistan, Russia, Kyrgyzstan.

2. Does this apply to crew who will be on board when the vessel calls at Korea and are not disembarking / going ashore?

In case crews have PCR test certification issued in Special country, they can disembark from the vessel after completion of special quarantine inspection & receiving a result of COVID-19.

If crews do not have PCR test certification issued in Special country, total quarantine inspection will be carried for all ship's arrival crews with COVID-19 test and it will be prohibited to disembark all crews from the vessel.

In case there would be any confirmed cases of COVID-19 with the positive result, vessel must sail out from the port of South Korea.

The Philippines

COVID-19 cases in Philippines rise to over 290,000 as death toll nears 5,000. The total number of infections climbed past 290,000 as the country's death toll approached the 5000 mark according to the Department of Health (DOH) today.

The DOH logged 3,475 additional COVID-19 infections, pushing the nation's caseload to 290,190. Seventy-six percent of the newly-reported cases occurred in the last 14 days.

Outbreak epicenter Metro Manila was still the source of the majority of the recent cases, making up 44% or 1,543 of the additional infections. Batangas (194) followed the capital region, then Rizal (192), Cavite (166) and Cebu (165).

COVID-19 cases are still increasing by several thousand daily, even after strict restrictions were implemented to stem the spread of the virus.

The DOH also registered 15 new deaths related to COVID-19, taking the country's fatality count to 4,999. Of newly reported deaths, 8 died in September, 6 in August and 1 in April.

The country has the second highest number of COVID-19 fatalities in Southeast Asia behind neighboring Indonesia with 9,553 deaths as of Sunday.

The total number of recoveries, meanwhile, rose to 230,233 after 400 more people got better from the respiratory disease. The day before, 20,021 recoveries were reported as the DOH implemented its weekly "mass recovery" scheme.

Of the total confirmed cases, 54,958 were considered active or those still undergoing treatment or quarantine. The DOH removed 28 duplicates from the total case count. There were also 13 cases previously reported as recovered classified as 12 deaths and one active case.

United Kingdom

Professor Chris Whitty has stated that Covid will be a 'six-month problem' which we all need to deal with. "The seasons are against us," says Prof Whitty. "We are now going into the seasons... that benefit respiratory viruses." It's very likely Covid will benefit from autumn and winter. He says it will be a "six-month problem that we will have to deal with collectively". "This period of the next six months needs to be taken seriously," This is not someone else's problem, this is all of our problem

Prof Whitty stated the mortality rate will be slightly reduced this autumn and winter because treatment is better now - but there will still be many deaths. He also advised that the decisions that ministers will have to take balancing the impact on the economy with the danger of the virus. "If we do too little, this virus will go out of control," he said. But if we go too far the other way we can cause damage to the economy, which will have its own long-term health effects.

He said it is important to have these two sides in mind when taking decisions and mentioned things that can be done to combat the virus:

Reduce your individual risk by washing your hands

Self-isolate if you have symptoms

Break unnecessary links between households because that is the way the virus is transmitted.

He acknowledged there are some "significant downsides"

Regarding limiting contact between households he warned that if we do not change course we are going to find ourselves in a very difficult problem. The very high UK transmission rates are concentrated in some areas but there are high rates elsewhere. "We're seeing a rate of increase across the great majority of the country anywhere with falling numbers of cases is now beginning to see a rise. This is not someone else's problem, this is all of our problem.

Sir Patrick Vallance said there may be an increase in cases across all age groups. "Could that increase be due to increased testing? The answer is no," he said, pointing to an ONS study and others which show similar patterns. "It is now estimated that roughly 70,000 people in the UK have Covid infection and around 6,000 per day are getting the infection." He said we are now in a situation where numbers are increasing.

Sir Patrick says about three million people - or 8% - in the UK have antibodies, meaning the vast majority of us are not protected and are susceptible to the disease. If someone has antibodies present it suggests they have already had the virus. The number of people with antibodies is a little higher in the cities - perhaps as high as 17% in London, he adds.

Currently we think the epidemic is doubling roughly every seven days, says Sir Patrick. If that continues unabated, then by mid-October we would end up with 50,000 cases per day, he said. That would be expected to lead to 200 plus deaths per day by the middle of November.

He cited examples of what has happened in other countries. In France and Spain there has been an increase in younger age groups which has seen an increase in cases in the older population. "As the disease spreads across age groups we expect to see increase in hospitalisations which unfortunately will lead to increase in deaths. The message is simple, the virus has not changed in ability and propensity to cause disease and to cause deaths".

United States

Research published by the US-based Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) shows coronavirus can spread easily among passengers on long-haul flights. The report looks at the case of a woman who flew in business class from London to Vietnam in March. Although she passed a temperature check, she developed symptoms in the days following the flight and tested positive just five days later.

Contact tracers managed to link her to 15 of her fellow passengers who also later tested positive for the virus. However, there is a caveat - at the time face coverings were not mandatory on flights, and so it is unlikely most of the passengers were wearing masks.

The UN will hold its 75th anniversary commemoration event today - and because of the pandemic, national representatives will celebrate virtually. The event will be live-streamed from 09:00 EDT (14:00 BST)

Natalie Shaw
Director Employment Affairs

COVID-19 and Maritime Crew Changes: A humanitarian, safety, and economic crisis

Join us to raise awareness for seafarers and the urgent issue of crew changes on World Maritime Day 2020

Date: 24 September 2020

Time: 14:00-15:15 CET (8:00-9:15 EDT)

Place: Online, during the high-level opening week of the 75th session of the UN General Assembly

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SUBJECT: Postponement of annual leave with pay and maximum period of shipboard service for seafarers during Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic

Reference: a) Marine Notice MLC-003- Terms and Conditions for employment of seafarers under the Maritime Labour Convention (MLC), 2006

b) Marine Advisory 07/2020-2- Guidance to Assist with Impact of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) on Ship Operations

c) Marine Advisory 21/2020 - Guidance to Assist with Impact of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) on Crew Documentation

Dear Shipowners/Operators/Seafarers:

The purpose of this Marine Advisory is to complement and further build upon the requirements in references **a)**, **b)**, and **c)** above and provide updated information to shipowners, operators and seafarers regarding the Administration's approach to permitting a seafarer to postpone annual leave with pay and the maximum period that a seafarer may serve onboard a ship during this difficult period of disruption caused by COVID-19.

As a result of the severe impact from COVID-19, which resulted in majority of major port and coastal States locking down their borders and which in turn severely affected the repatriation of seafarers, the Liberian Administration on 24 February 2020 published **reference b)** above permitting seafarers to be engaged under their seafarers' employment agreements beyond a period of 11 months up to a maximum of 14 months, taking into account arrangements made by the shipowner to repatriate seafarers as soon as possible at the next available port.

During March, April and May 2020, the lockdown of borders, prohibition of international flights and in some cases enforcement of strict quarantine requirements among major port and coastal States continued without being eased; and it was only in June 2020, that some of the major port and coastal States eased their controls while considering seafarers as 'key workers' as a result of the efforts of the IMO along with major flag States such as Liberia and other key industry stakeholders.

The Liberian Administration has also successfully mediated with some port and coastal State authorities for repatriation of seafarers and has approved repatriation plans which include deviating ships to major labour supplying States such as Philippines and India; and to major Airline hubs, such as Doha, Qatar, Hong Kong and Singapore.

Below are some cases where the Liberian Administration successfully mediated with port/coastal State authorities for the repatriation of seafarers amidst the stringent lockdown:

1. Vera Cruz, Mexico – Local LISCR Inspector communicated with Mexican Authorities;

2. Bangladesh – Communicated with both Bangladesh and Philippine Embassies to permit repatriation of 9 Filipino seafarers;
3. Argentina – Liberia Consul General in Buenos Aires communicated with Authorities to permit repatriation of seafarers;
4. Philippines – Requested local Philippine Authority in Mindanao to permit a sick seafarer to visit a doctor ashore and subsequently repatriated;
5. Singapore – Communicated with Singapore MPA requesting repatriation of seafarers, after advising the shipowner of the conditions set by MPA;
6. Malaysia – Sent a diplomatic note through Malaysia’s IMO permanent representative in London to permit repatriation of 7 Filipino seafarers.

Considering the experience gained over the past few months, the Administration has revised its procedures and will continue taking a pragmatic approach for any new applications for permission for a seafarer to postpone annual leave and continue to be engaged under the seafarers’ employment agreement for more than 11 months and which is directly linked to the disruption caused by COVID-19, which will only be considered in cases, where:

1. The shipowner or operator can satisfactorily demonstrate that all possible efforts have been expended to repatriate the seafarer without success;
2. The seafarer has provided written confirmation accepting the extension;
3. The shipowner or operator provides a repatriation plan for approval and which will result in the repatriation of the seafarer before serving a maximum continuous period of 14 months;
4. A proper risk assessment is carried out by the shipowner taking into account the ship’s trading pattern, rest hours, and fatigue and other identified hazards.

Upon satisfactory review of the requirements in 1, 2, 3 and 4 above, the Administration will issue a letter approving the repatriation plan and permit the seafarer(s) to postpone annual leave with pay and continue being engaged under the seafarers’ employment agreement for a period not exceeding 14 months.

The seafarers shall conclude seafarers' employment agreements with the shipowner or its authorized representative for the extended period of engagement on board and will continue receiving their employment and social rights in accordance with Article IV of MLC, 2006.

Also, extensions of service without taking leave beyond 14 months that were previously permitted due to unforeseen circumstances will only be considered by the Administration, if provided the information in items 1,2 and 4 above, and a plan identifying the place and date which will result in repatriation of the seafarer as soon as possible, is provided to the Administration for approval.

Recently BIMCO has produced a COVID-19 Crew Change Clause for Time Charter Parties in response to the extraordinary circumstances faced by many owners whose crew have had to remain on board during the COVID-19 "lockdown" for periods often extending beyond their contracts of employment.

<https://www.bimco.org/contracts-and-clauses/bimco-clauses/current/covid-19-crew-change-clause-for-time-charter-parties-2020>

The new clause is designed to give owners the liberty to deviate for crew changes under tightly defined circumstances. It also provides an option for charterers to contribute to the crew change in recognition of the potentially high cost of making a COVID-19 related crew change.

Currently the ships' agent is usually the best source for latest port specific requirements. It should also be noted that Wilhelmsen Ship Agency has developed a Coronavirus - Global Port Restrictions Map, which is continuously updated and identifies countries and ports around the world and any conditions and restrictions that have been implemented:

<https://www.wilhelmsen.com/ships-agency/campaigns/coronavirus/coronavirus-map/>

If you have additional questions or concerns, please contact RegsandStandards@liscr.com.

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Coronavirus and Seafarers employment agreement and Certificates

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1. The purpose of this Merchant Marine Notice is to inform that with the outbreak of the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19), the World Health Organization (WHO) declared a state of global health emergency, causing massive uncertainty across the global trade, resulting in additional implication for the regular shipping operations. The coronavirus outbreak has spread rapidly extended further to several countries.
2. The effects of this outbreak are having a repercussion with the seafarers whose Certificate/s have expired or will expire soon, where the companies are facing problems because their planned disembarkation cannot be safely completed in ports affected by the outbreak of the Novel Coronavirus.
3. As it has been determined with extensive travel restrictions to and within infected and non-infected countries, moving personnel has become more difficult, resulting in harsh scrutinizing seafarers who have recently visited affected areas.
4. This Administration considers appropriate to inform how to proceed in the following scenarios of crew change:
 - 4.1. If the seafarers' employment agreement expires or will expire soon, an exception to Standard A2.4.3 "Entitlement to leave", and Standard A2.5.1.2(b) "Repatriation" of the Maritime Labour Convention 2006, will be granted in order to extend it.
 - 4.2. In those cases, where the change of crew, due to expiration of the Certificate/s, cannot be carried out due to the Corona Virus outbreak, this Administration shall consider appropriate the issuance of an Extension or Dispensation Letter evaluating the nature of the case.

- 4.3. The transitory measures mentioned in paragraphs 4.1 and 4.2 will apply until September 14, 2020. After September 14, 2020 this Administration will return to compliance with the provisions of Executive Decree No. 86 of February 22, 2013 and Merchant Marine Circular MMC-262.
5. This pandemic condition is causing inevitable delays on the renewal of the Certificate of Inspection of Crew Accommodation (CICA) that has expired within March and December 2020, due to the travelling restrictions worldwide.
6. In this sense, this Administration has determined the following instructions for the issuance of the correspondent letter:

6.1. Extension of Seafarers Employment Agreement

These letters to extend the Seafarers Employment Agreement shall be issued by the Regional Documentation Offices and Maritime Labour Affairs Department of the General Directorate of Seafarers, and the interested party shall submit the following requirements:

- a) Email requesting the extension of the Certificate, including the particulars of the vessel, crew name and position on board.
- b) Objective evidence that the seafarer cannot be repatriated when his employment agreement expires.
- c) Letter signed by the seafarer agreeing to the extension of the Seafarer Employment Agreement (SEA).
- d) Copy of the Seafarer Employment Agreement (SEA) of each seafarer and the SEA extension signed by both parties (Seafarer and Ship-owner).
- e) Crew List.
- f) Copy of the Registry certificate.

Be informed that the given exception letter according to this Marine Notice will be for a period of three (3) months to continue being engaged under their seafarers' employment agreements beyond a period of 11 months taking into account arrangements made by the ship-owner to repatriate seafarers as soon as possible at the next available port.



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If the situation of the pandemic remains the same, this period may be extended on a case-by-case basis, upon application, as long as it is agreed by both parties and the above mentioned requirements are in compliance.

This Maritime Administration reiterates that any extension granted would require an addendum to the Seafarer Employment Agreement under the same terms and conditions as the underlying agreement and it must be agreed by both parties.

If the seafarer does not agree with the extension of the SEA, please contact us to the following e-mail address: labormar@amp.gob.pa.

At the end of the extension provided by this Administration, all seafarers must have the right for their paid leave, taking into account the whole period worked on board, as an exceptional circumstance to the Standard A2.4.3.

The seafarers subject to these extensions shall be repatriated as a prescribed Standard A2.5.1.2(b) of the Maritime Labour Convention, 2006, as amended.

We strongly encourage all Authorities to allow the crew changes at the earliest opportunity so as seafarers repatriation to their homes could be achieved.

The extension according this point (6.1), will be granted until September 14, 2020. After September 14, 2020 this Administration will return to compliance with the provisions of Executive Decree No. 86 of February 22, 2013 and MMC-262.

6.2. Extension of Seafarers Certificates including Certificates of Endorsement

This letter shall be issued for the certificates issued by the Panama Maritime Authority under the Regulation I/2, Seaman's book (for ratings) and Regulation I/10 of the STCW'78 Convention, as amended. These letters shall be issued by the Regional Documentation Offices of the General Directorate of Seafarers, after receiving the following requirements:

- a) Email requesting the extension of the Certificate, including the particulars of the vessel, crew name and position on board.
- b) For extension of certificate under Regulation I/2 and Seaman's book (for ratings), Copy of the Certificate/s or Seaman's book issued by the Panama Maritime Authority. Be informed that the given extension according to this Marine Notice will be for a period of three (3) months from the date of expiration of the

certificate/s, and reviewed whether the granted extension shall require additional period considering the condition of the (COVID-19).

- c) For the Extension of Certificates issued under regulation I/10, shall submitted the Authorization letter of extension of the issuance Country and copy of the Home Country License. The extension would be given according to the letter of authorization of the Issuance's Country CoC's or CoP's.
- d) Crew List.
- e) Copy of the Registry Certificate.

6.3. Dispensation Letter

If any Third Party member of the STCW'78 Convention, who issued the Seafarers Certificate has not extended it due to Corona Virus outbreak, this Administration shall grant a Dispensation Letter to the capacity (rank) under the requirements stated in the Merchant Marine Circular No. 175 and the form established by the circular MMC-191 "[SEG-01-15-01 Application for Crew Dispensation Letters](#)" shall be submitted to the SEGUMAR OFFICES along with the following documents:

- a) Copy of the Certificate/s.
- b) Crew List.
- c) Copy of the Registry Certificate.

6.4. Authorization Letter of the Certificate of Inspection of Crew Accommodation (CICA).

This Authorization Letter to extend the Certificate of Inspection of Crew Accommodation (CICA) issued by the Maritime Labour Affairs Department of the General Directorate of Seafarers shall continue to be issued, please submit the following requirements to the e-mail address labormar@amp.gob.pa:

- a) Request Certificate of Inspection of Crew Accommodation (CICA) extension, including the particular of the vessel and reasons of the request.
- b) Copy of Full-Term Certificate of Inspection of Crew Accommodation (CICA) expired or about to expire.



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- c) Registry Certificate.
- d) Annual Taxes Receipt.

The Authorization Letters issued as product of the COVID-19 condition in this Marine Notice will be valid for a period of three (3) months from the date of expiration of the certificate and reviewed whether the granted extension shall require additional period considering the condition of COVID-19. This certification will have no cost and will only be issued solely under this exceptional circumstance.

A copy of the Authorization Letter issued by the Directorate General of Seafarers shall be attached to the Certificate of Inspection of Crew Accommodation (CICA).

7. Please contact the Regional Documentation Offices of your convenience to the following e-mail addresses:

America	
CERTIFICATION Dept. Panama LABOUR Dept. Panama	certification@amp.gob.pa seaextension@amp.gob.pa
RDO Miami	vrodriguez@amp.gob.pa
Asia	
RDO Shanghai	info.shanghai@amp.gob.pa
RDO Seoul	jgoodridge@amp.gob.pa
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8. Extension of the Validity of Color Copy of Full terms of Technical Documents onboard.

In addition to the measures taken in the MMC-313 updated to 01st April 2020, the Panama Maritime Authority will grant an extension of the color copy of the full terms of Technical Documentation (Seaman's book, Course endorsement, Certificate of Competence, Certificate of Proficiency, Endorsement of Certificate of Competence and Endorsement of Certificate of Proficiency) for the period of ninety (90) calendar days, counting from the issuing date of the technical documentation. This document is verifiable using the QR code in the document or asking for confirmation via email to the e-mail address verification@amp.gob.pa.

These extensions allowed will be reviewed considering the condition of the COVID-19.

9. Extension of the Validity of the Medical Certificates

9.1. For medical certificates issued by medical practitioner recognized by the Panama Maritime Authority, this Administration will grant an Authorization to the seafarer who's medical certificate has expired within January and September 2020. This Authorization Letter will be issued by the Maritime Labor Affairs Department of the General Directorate of Seafarers, please submit your request along with the following requirements to the e-mail address labormar@amp.gob.pa:

- a) Copy of the medical certificate expired within January and September 2020 issued by a medical practitioner recognized by the Panama Maritime Authority,
- b) Passport copy.

Authorization Letters issued as consequence of the COVID-19 condition according to this Marine Notice will be valid for a period of six (6) months, and it will be issued at no cost.

This Authorization does not exempt from the compliance with the requirements established by the General Directorate of the Seafarers in terms of issuance of the Full Terms License.

9.2. In urgent cases, the Panama Maritime Authority may permit a seafarer to work without a valid medical certificate until the next port of call where a medical practitioner recognized by a State Party of the STCW'78 as amended is available. This Authorization Letter will be issued by the Maritime Labor Affairs Department of the General Directorate of Seafarers, please submit your request along with the following requirements to the e-mail address labormar@amp.gob.pa:



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- a) Email request shall include the ship's particulars, crew name and position on board.
- b) Copy of the medical certificate expired issued by a medical practitioner recognized by a State Party of the STCW'78 as amended and/or MLC, 2006 as amended.
- c) Panama License (Certificate of Competence, Endorsement of Certificate of Competence, Seaman's Book).

The period of such authorization letter will not exceed three (3) months, and it will be issued at no cost.

- 9.3.** If the Medical Certificate expires in the course of a voyage, it shall continue in force for a period of three (3) months from its expiry date (MLC, 2006 Standard A1.2.9).
- 10.** Certificates of proficiency issued by an authorized Maritime Training Center of Panama in accordance with the regulation V and VI of the STCW amended (except those issued under regulation I/2) will be considered valid for a period of three (3) months from its expiry date.

11. Measures for Maritime Training Centers:

11.1. Resolution ADM-074-2020 of May 19, 2020, which subrogates Resolution ADM-056-2020, authorizes the PMA-authorized Maritime Training Centers until December 31, 2020, to renew Maritime training course certificates, to teach completely theoretical courses for the first time through the remote education modality, to teach courses (theoretical / practical), only the theoretical part for the first time through remote education and to carry out the process of Prior Documentary Evaluation through electronic media, all this as a contingency measure against the COVID-19 condition.

11.2. The maritime training course is authorized by the PMA, in accordance with the authorizations given to the Maritime Training Center by means of the corresponding resolutions.

11.3. Measures for the renewal of courses:

1. the participant must submit:

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- a) Certificates of maritime training courses may be renewed taking into account their expiration date of up to five (5) years before December 31, 2020, by an authorized Maritime Training Center.
 - b) Copy of the seaman's book where it portrays his/her time aboard.
 - c) Work experience letters attesting that he/she has performed duties consistent with the certificate he/she holds, in an approved seagoing service, within the five (5) previous years.
 - d) Personal identity card or passport.
 - e) License in the case of subordinate employees or certificate of competence in the case of officers and masters.
 - f) If he/she can acquire it, the participant may additionally submit copy of a section of the Security Management System certifying that the crew member has been linked to training sessions, as the case may be (for example, crew familiarization format, drills format, records, among other things).
2. The authorized Maritime Training Center provides the relevant training using e-education tools.
 3. The Maritime Training Center shall prepare a document (check list) which shall be duly signed by the participant, in which he/she states that skill demonstrations (practices) were performed aboard.
 4. The Maritime Training Center evaluates or examines seafarers to assess that the participant has acquired the skills, knowledge, understanding and sufficiency required by each course, as prescribed in the relevant Section and Table of the STCW Code.
 5. The Maritime Training Center ensures delivering a copy of the course certificate to the participant by electronic media. This copy of the certificate will be valid until December 31, 2020. Once the national pandemic (COVID-19) state of emergency ends, the original certificate must be delivered to the participant.
 6. The Maritime Training Center delivers the course certificate stating on its template that the approved course corresponds to a course renewal.
 7. The Maritime Training Center, through its Quality Management System, ensures that the documentary information collected demonstrates the participant's skills and can verify its validity.
 8. The Maritime Training Center does not accept certificates for renewing courses that have undergone changes with the Manila amendments to the STCW'78 Convention.

9. The Maritime Training Center requests experience of no less than three (3) months in the previous five (5) years, either in oil, chemical or gas tankers, when renewal is requested for this type of course.

- 11.4. The maritime training courses that may be renewed by authorized Maritime Training Centers are:
 1. Training for Oil and Chemical Tanker Cargo Operations. (Reg. V/1-1, Paragraph 2.2, Section A-V/1-1, Paragraph 1 and Table A-V/1-1-1).
 2. Advanced Training for Oil Tanker Cargo Operations. (Reg. V/1-1, Paragraph 4.3, Section A-V/1-1, Paragraph 2 and Table A-V/1-1-2).
 3. Advanced Training for Chemical Tanker Cargo Operations. (Reg. V/1-1, Paragraph 6.3, Section A-V/1-1, Paragraph 3 and Table A-V/1-1-3).
 4. Basic Training for Liquefied Gas Tanker Cargo Operations. (Reg. V/1-2, Paragraph 2.2, Section A-V/1-2, Paragraph 1 and Table A-V/1-2-1).
 5. Advanced Training for Liquefied Gas Tanker Cargo Operations. (Reg. V/1-2, Paragraph 4.3, Section A-V/1-2, Paragraph 2 and Table A-V/1-2-2).
 6. Proficiency in Personal Survival Techniques. (Reg. VI/1, Section A-VI/1 Paragraph 2 and Table A-VI/1-1).
 7. Fire Prevention and Fire Fighting. (Reg. VI/1, Section A-VI/1 Paragraph 2 and Table A-VI/1-2).
 8. Proficiency in Survival Craft and Rescue Boats other than Fast Rescue Boats. (Reg. VI/2, Section A-VI/2, Paragraph 1-6 and Table A-VI/2-1).
 9. Proficiency in Fast Rescue Boat (Reg. VI/2, Section A-VI/2, Paragraph 7-12 and Table A-VI/2-2).
 10. General Operator Certificate for GMDSS (Reg. IV/2 Section A-IV/2 Table A-IV/2).
 11. Restricted Operator Certificate for GMDSS (Reg. IV/2 Section A-IV/2 Table A-IV/2).
 12. Advanced Training in Fire Fighting. (Reg. VI/3, Section A-VI/3 and Table A-VI/3).
 13. Personal Safety and Social Responsibilities. (Reg. VI/1, Section A-VI/1 Paragraph 2 and Table A-VI/1-4).
 14. Marine Environmental Awareness. (Reg. II/1, III/1 y III/6; Sections A-II/1, A-III/1 and A-III/6; Tables A-II/1, A-III/1, y A-III/6).
 15. Security Training for Seafarers with Designated Security Duties. (Reg. VI/6, Paragraphs 4-6, Section A-VI/6, Paragraphs 6-8 and Table A-VI/6-2).
 16. Security Awareness Training for All Seafarers. (Reg. VI/6, Paragraphs 1-3, Section A-VI/6, Paragraph 4 and Table A-VI/6-1).

17. Radar Navigation, Radar Plotting and Use of ARPA. Operational Level. (Reg. II/1 y 11/3; Section A-II/1 y 11/3 and Table A-II/1 y A-II/3).
18. Elementary First Aid. (Reg. VI/1, Section A-VI/1 Paragraph 2 and Table A-VI/1-3).
19. Medical First Aid. (Reg. VI/4, Section A-VI/4, Paragraph 1-3, Table A-VI/4-1).
20. Medical Care. (Reg. VI/4, Section A-VI/4, Paragraph 4-6 and Table A-VI/ 4-2)
21. Operational Use of Electronic Chart Display and Information Systems (ECDIS). (Reg. II/1, II/2 y II/3, Section A-II/1, A-II/2 y A-II/3 and Tables A-II/1, A-II/2, A-II/3).
22. Leadership and Teamwork. (Reg. II/1, III/1 y III/6; Sections A-II/1, A-III/1 and A-III/6; Tables A-II/1, A-III/1 y A-III/6).
23. Passenger Ship Crowd Management Training. (Reg. V/2, Sections A-V/2, Paragraph 3 and Table A-V/2-1).
24. Passenger ship Crisis Management and Human Behaviour Training. (Reg. V/2, Section A-V/2, Paragraph 4 and Table A-V/2-2).
25. Safety Training for Personnel Providing Direct Service to Passengers in Passengers Spaces. (Reg. V/2, Section A-V/2, Paragraph 2).
26. Ship Security Officer. (Reg. VI/5, Section A-VI/5 and Table A-VI/5 of the 1978 STCW Convention, as amended; Chapter XI-2 of the 1974 SOLAS Convention, as amended and Prescriptions 2.1.6 and 12 of Part A of the ISPS Code).
27. Ratings Forming Part of an Engineering Watch. (Reg. III/4, Section A-III/4 and Table A-III/4).
28. Able Seafarer - Deck. (Reg. II/5, Section, A-II/5 and Table A-II/5).
29. Able Seafarer - Engine. Reg. III/5, Section A-III/5 and Table A-III/5).
30. Electro-Technical Rating (Reg. III/7, Section A-III/7 and Table A-III/7).
31. High Voltage Installations (Reg. III/1, III/2, III/3 Sections A-III/1, A-III/2, A-III/3 and Tables A-III/1, A-III/2).
32. Passenger Safety, Cargo Safety and Hull Integrity Training. (Reg. V/2, Section A-V/2, Paragraph 5).
33. Radar, Arpa, Bridge Teamwork and Search and Rescue. Management Level. (Reg. II/2, Section A-II/2 and Table A-II/2).
34. Ratings Forming Part of a Navigational Watch. (Reg. II/4, Section A-II/4 and Table A-II/4).
35. Ship's Cook Course according to Maritime Labour Convention, 2006 and Resolution ADM No. 068-2013. (Reg 3.2, Standard A 3.2 and Guideline B 3.2 of the Maritime Labor Convention, 2006).

36. Bridge Resource Management (Reg. II/1, Section A-II/1 and Table A-II/1).
37. Engine Room Resource Management. (Reg. III/1, Section A-III/1 and Table A-III/1)".
38. Maritime Safety Course of Seafarers of National Waters.

11.5. The following maritime training courses with entirely theoretical material, may be **taught for the first time** using electronic teaching tools and applying an examination or final test according to the skills required for each course:

1. Personal Safety and Social Responsibilities. (Reg. VI, Section A-VI/1 and Table A-VI/1-4);
2. Security Awareness Training. (Reg. VI/6, Section A-VI/6 P. 4 and Table A-VI/6-1);
3. Security Training for Seafarers with Designated Security Duties. (Reg. VI/6, Section A-VI/6, P. 6 and Table A-VI/6-2);
4. Marine Environmental Awareness. (Reg. II/1, III/1 and III/6, Section A-II/1, A-III/1 and A-III/6 and Table A-II/1, A-III/1 and A-III/6);
5. Dangerous, Hazardous and Harmful Cargo. (Reg. II/1, II/2 and II/3, Section A-II/1, A-II/2 and A-II/3 and Table A-II/1, A-II/2 and A-II/3);
6. Action to be taken to Prevent Acts of Piracy and Armed Robbery. (Cap. XI-2 SOLAS 1974, PBIP Code and MSC.1/circ.1341).
7. Security Awareness Training for all Port Facility Personnel. (Cap. XI-2 SOLAS 1974, PBIP Code and IMO MSC.1341).
8. Security Awareness Training for Port Facility Personal with Designated Security Duties. (Cap. XI-2 SOLAS 1974, PBIP Code and IMO MSC.1/Circ.1341).
9. Company Security Officer. (Cap. XI-2 SOLAS 1974, P. 2.1.7 and 11, Part A, PBIP Code).
10. Port Facility Security Officer. (P. 2.1.8 and 17, Part A, PBIP Code).
11. Maritime Safety for seamen of National Waters.
12. Drug and Alcohol Prevention Programmes in the Maritime Sector. (PADAMS).
13. MARPOL Consolidated 73/78 Annex I-VI.

11.6. The maritime training courses with **theoretical and practical content** that may be taught for the first time to a participant, but that are **only authorized to impart the theoretical part** are:

1. Officer in Charge of a Navigational Watch on Ships of 500 Gross Tonnage or more (Operational Level). (Reg. II/1, Section A-II/1 and Table A-II/1).
 2. Officer in Charge of an Engineering Watch in a manned engine-room or as designated duty engineers in a periodically unmanned engine-room. (Operational Level). (Reg. III/1, Section A III/1 and Table A-III/1).
 3. Electro-Technical Officer. (Reg. III/6, Section A-III/6 and Table A-III/6).
 4. Ratings Forming Part of an Engineering Watch. (Reg. III/4, Section A-III/4 and Table A-III/4).
 5. Ordinary Seaman. (N/A).
 6. Ratings Forming.
 7. Wiper (N/A).
 8. Ship's Cook Course according to Maritime Labour Convention, 2006 and Resolution ADM No. 068-2013. (Rule 3.2, Standard A 3.2 and Guideline B 3.2 of the Maritime Labor Convention, 2006).
 9. Hotel Staff.
- 11.7.** Authorized Maritime Training Centers must forward to the Department of Maritime Training to the following email: training.department@amp.gob.pa, within fifteen (15) calendar days after the end of the course, the following documentary evidence:
- a) Copy of the attendance register of the participants who have taken the training by using a remote, electronic or virtual learning method;
 - b) Evidence of the electronic teaching tools used by the maritime training center to conduct the virtual training, including videos, photographs, didactic material, forums, workshops, among other things, that prove that the training has been imparted.
 - c) Copy of the evaluation or examination applied to the participant;
 - d) Copy of the issued course certificate.
- 11.8.** The Previous Documentary Evaluation (PDE) proceedings can be filed by a Maritime Training Center authorized by the Panama Maritime Authority electronically, always keeping evidence of the process and submitting the certificate reports on a daily and monthly basis to the Maritime Training Department's email.



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12. Finally, these measures established would be revised accordingly to the condition of the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) across the global trade in the maritime sector.

August, 2020 – New paragraph 4.3, and paragraphs 5, 6.1, 6.4 and 9.1 has been modified.

June, 2020 – Paragraph 6.1, 6.2

June, 2020 – Paragraph 6.1, 6.2, 6.3, 7, 9.1, 11.1, 11.2, 11.3, 11.4, 11.4, 11.5, and 11.6 has been modified.

May, 2020 – Paragraph 6.1 has been modified.

April, 2020 - New paragraph 11.

April, 2020 - New paragraphs 6.2, 8 and 9, the numbers of the paragraphs are also ordered.

March 25, 2020 - Coronavirus Prevention Measures.

March, 2020 - Coronavirus Prevention Measures.

February, 2020 - Coronavirus Prevention Measure.

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MEDIA RELEASE

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SG-STAR FUND: First Global Tripartite Initiative to Support Countries for Crew Change

The International Transport Workers' Federation (ITF) and the International Maritime Employers' Council (IMEC) have jointly contributed US\$500,000 to the Singapore Shipping Tripartite Alliance Resilience (SG-STAR) Fund to support countries that adopt best practices for crew change. This adds to the S\$1 million SG-STAR Fund established by the Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore (MPA), Singapore Shipping Association (SSA), Singapore Maritime Officers' Union (SMOU), and Singapore Organisation of Seamen (SOS). The total fund now amounts to S\$1.68 million (approximately US\$1.2 million).

2. Besides ITF and IMEC, the International Chamber of Shipping (ICS) will also lend support to the SG-STAR Fund including technical expertise in shipping. With the contribution and support by ITF, IMEC and ICS, the SG-STAR Fund is the first global tripartite initiative bringing together like-minded international partners from the industry, unions and government to facilitate safe crew changes. The fund, based in Singapore, will be disbursed for use upstream in countries where seafarers come from. We continue to welcome like-minded partners to join us in this global alliance.

3. ITF General Secretary Mr Stephen Cotton said the SG-STAR Fund has the potential to support practical solutions to reduce the severity of the crew change crisis for the world's 1.4 million seafarers.

4. "For over six months, the crew change crisis has seen hundreds of thousands of seafarers either trapped on ships or unemployed at home, desperate to get to work. For the world's seafarers, they need practical solutions now, not tomorrow, to end this humanitarian crisis and get seafarers to and from ships in a safe manner. This joint initiative, working with tripartite partners to promote practical solutions to the crew change crisis, will be key to breaking the current deadlock."

5. “We need to see progress especially on ways seafarers can show authorities and employers their negative COVID-19 Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) test results from verified medical institutions, so that quarantine times can be reduced on board and while waiting to join vessels,” said Stephen Cotton.

6. “The crew change crisis caused by the COVID-19 pandemic has brought various maritime players to work together more closely than ever before. IMEC has participated and contributed to both global and Singapore based discussions aimed at finding solutions and providing guidance as the crisis evolved. We are pleased to join the SG-STAR Fund and hope bring our expertise to help find solutions to this crisis. I am confident this determined partnership will lead the way to practical approaches to a crisis that is expected to stay with us for months to come,” said IMEC Chairman, Capt. Belal Ahmed.

7. Mr Guy Platten, Secretary General of the ICS, said, “The COVID-19 pandemic is unfairly trapping seafarers. This initiative is exactly the type of project needed to resolve the crew change crisis.”

8. “The ILO warmly welcomes the contributions from the ITF, IMEC and ICS to the SG-STAR Fund which not only provides much needed resources but confirms the tripartite and truly global reach of the initiative. This is exactly the type of response that we need to the dramatic and worldwide problems of crew changes,” said ILO Director-General, Mr Guy Ryder.

9. Mr Kitack Lim, Secretary-General of International Maritime Organization, said, “This is a commendable global initiative bringing together the collective efforts of governments, the shipping industry and maritime unions to take concrete steps to address the urgent issue of crew change.”

10. Following the signing of the letter of intent for the SG-STAR Fund on 28 August 2020 between MPA, SSA, SMOU and SOS, a task force has been formed to work with stakeholders on solutions for safe crew change. Led by SSA Council Member and Chair of SSA Services Committee, Mr Nitin Mathur, with initial members from MPA, SMOU and SOS, the task force will first work with seafarer supplying countries such as the Philippines and India on key initiatives, which include the accreditation of quarantine and isolation facilities, COVID-19 PCR testing certification, “white-listing” of clinics for PCR testing, digital solutions for tracking crew change, and interactive training sessions for crew to help them understand crew change procedures and guidelines.

11. SSA President Ms Caroline Yang will chair the Governance Committee for the SG-STAR Fund, comprising MPA Chief Executive Ms Quah Ley Hoon, SMOU General Secretary Ms Mary Liew, SOS President Mr Kam Soon Huat, ITF General Secretary Mr Stephen Cotton, and IMEC Chairman Capt. Belal Ahmed. Dr Lam Pin Min, Honorary Member of SSA, and CEO of Eagle Eye Centre, has been appointed as the Senior Advisor to the Governance Committee.

12. “The SG-STAR Fund initiated by the tripartite partners in Singapore aims to help support ship crew supplying nations enhance facilities and capabilities to establish safe and scalable “bubbles” or “corridors” to enable crew change - from the

time to/from home country or country of origin, to the country where the crew joins the ship, as well as safe holding facilities at the home/origin country and the country where the crew change occurs. We are heartened to have ITF and IMEC join our initiative and contribute to the fund. The ICS is also supporting this initiative including their technical expertise in shipping. We look forward to have more like-minded international partners come on board this tripartite initiative so that safe crew change can be further accelerated,” said Ms Yang.

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About the Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore (MPA)

The Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore (MPA) was established on 2 February 1996, with the mission to develop Singapore as a premier global hub port and international maritime centre (IMC), and to advance and safeguard Singapore's strategic maritime interests. MPA is the driving force behind Singapore's port and maritime development, taking on the roles of Port Authority, Port Regulator, Port Planner, IMC Champion, and National Maritime Representative. MPA partners the industry and other agencies to enhance safety, security and environmental protection in our port waters, facilitate port operations and growth, expand the cluster of maritime ancillary services, and promote maritime R&D and manpower development.

About the Singapore Shipping Association (SSA)

The Singapore Shipping Association (SSA) represents a wide spectrum of shipping companies and other businesses allied to the shipping industry. It is a national trade association formed in 1985 to serve and promote the interests of its members and to enhance the competitiveness of Singapore as an International Maritime Centre. The SSA is a trusted advisor and partner in the local and international shipping community and collaborates with relevant maritime stakeholders to protect the marine environment as well as promote freedom and safety at sea. Despite being a not-for-profit organisation SSA, on behalf of its members, strives to give back generously to the community through Corporate Social Responsibilities activities. Currently, the SSA represents over 460 member companies; comprising ship owners and operators, ship managers, ship agents and other ancillary companies such as shipbrokers, classification societies, marine insurers, bunker suppliers, maritime lawyers, shipping bankers and technology start-ups amongst others.

About the Singapore Maritime Officers' Union (SMOU)

The Singapore Maritime Officers' Union was established in 1951 to safeguard the interest and well-being of seafaring officers. The primary role of the organisation is to promote good industrial relations between members and their employers, improve the working conditions of members in the maritime industry through the terms and conditions of collective bargaining agreements negotiated on behalf of members and

signed with shipping companies which employ them and to advance the cultural, recreational and educational aspirations of its members.

About the Singapore Organisation of Seamen (SOS)

The Singapore Organisation of Seamen (SOS) is a global maritime trade union commissioned by the National Trades Union Congress (NTUC) to promote positive industrial relations between seafarers and their employers, shipping companies. Since 1971, SOS has been representing ratings and helping them receive their dues through Collective Bargaining Agreements with shipping companies. SOS also works actively with tripartite partners to improve the working and living conditions of seafarers and helps members acquire and upgrade skills that meet the demands of the industry. SOS is affiliated to the International Transport Workers' Federation (ITF) and the Nautilus Federation.

About the International Transport Workers' Federation (ITF)

The International Transport Workers' Federation (ITF) is a democratic, affiliate-led union federation recognised as the world's leading transport authority. We fight passionately to improve working lives; connecting trade unions from 147 countries to secure rights, equality and justice for their members. We are the voice for nearly 20 million working women and men in the transport industry across the world, including over a million seafarers.

About the International Maritime Employers' Council (IMEC)

The International Maritime Employers' Council (IMEC) is the only international employers' organisation dedicated to maritime industrial relations. Established over fifty years ago, we operate from offices in Hampshire, UK and Manila in the Philippines and represent over 250 shipping companies located all over the world.

IMEC is run by and exists for the benefit of its members, who enjoy exclusive privileges including the benefits of IBF agreements, access to funds to support the welfare and employment of seafarers and advice and guidance from the dedicated Secretariat team.

IMEC's Recruitment and Training Committee is engaged in career development programs for officers, Ratings and Cadets. IMEC provides assistance to its members to maintain and upgrade training facilities. Working together with Universities and Global Training provider, IMEC contributes to the seafarers training at all levels.

About the International Chamber of Shipping (ICS)

International Chamber of Shipping (ICS) is the principal international trade association for merchant shipowners and operators, representing all sectors and trades and over 80% of the world merchant fleet.

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Cambodia

Route	Month	Date(s)	Departure Time	Arrival Time	Flight Number
Phnom Penh - Singapore	September	1, 6, 8, 13, 15, 20, 22, 27, 29	18:25	21:25	MI 607
	October	4, 6, 11, 13, 18, 20	18:25	21:25	MI 607
	October	25, 27	18:35	21:35	MI 607
	November	1, 3, 8, 10, 15, 17, 22, 24, 29	18:35	21:35	MI 607
Singapore - Phnom Penh	September	1, 6, 8, 13, 15, 20, 22, 27, 29	16:35	17:30	MI 608
	October	25, 27	16:30	17:35	MI 608
	October	4, 6, 11, 13, 18, 20	16:35	17:30	MI 608
	November	1, 3, 8, 10, 15, 17, 22, 24, 29	16:30	17:35	MI 608

Indonesia

Route	Month	Date(s)	Departure Time	Arrival Time	Flight Number
Jakarta - Singapore	September	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30	19:00	21:50	SQ 965
	October	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24	19:00	21:50	SQ 965
	October	25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31	19:00	21:55	SQ 965
	November	2, 4, 6, 9, 11, 13, 16, 18, 20, 23, 25, 27, 30	11:15	14:00	SQ 957
	November	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30	19:00	21:55	SQ 965
Singapore - Jakarta	September	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30	17:20	18:05	SQ 964
	October	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31	17:20	18:05	SQ 964
	November	2, 4, 6, 9, 11, 13, 16, 18, 20, 23, 25, 27, 30	09:30	10:15	SQ 956
	November	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30	17:20	18:05	SQ 964

Medan - Singapore	September	1, 6, 8, 13, 15, 22, 29	08:45	11:05	MI 233
	September	18, 25	20:05	22:20	MI 237
	October	27	08:40	11:05	MI 233
	October	6, 13, 20	08:45	11:05	MI 233
	October	30	20:05	22:35	MI 237
	October	2, 9, 16, 23	20:05	22:20	MI 237
	November	3, 10, 17, 24	08:40	11:05	MI 233
	November	6, 13, 20, 27	20:05	22:35	MI 237
Singapore - Medan	September	1, 6, 8, 13, 15, 22, 29	07:40	08:00	MI 234
	September	18, 25	19:00	19:20	MI 238
	October	6, 13, 20	07:40	08:00	MI 234
	October	27	07:40	07:55	MI 234
	October	2, 9, 16, 23, 30	19:00	19:20	MI 238
	November	3, 10, 17, 24	07:40	07:55	MI 234
	November	6, 13, 20, 27	19:00	19:20	MI 238
Singapore - Surabaya	September	9, 12, 16, 19, 23, 26, 30	07:50	09:05	SQ 930
	October	3, 7, 10, 14, 17, 21, 24	07:50	09:05	SQ 930
	October	28, 31	07:50	09:20	SQ 930
	November	4, 7, 11, 14, 18, 21, 25, 28	07:50	09:20	SQ 930
Surabaya - Singapore	September	9, 12, 16, 19, 23, 26, 30	10:10	13:30	SQ 931
	October	3, 7, 10, 14, 17, 21, 24	10:10	13:30	SQ 931
	October	28, 31	10:15	13:35	SQ 931
	November	4, 7, 11, 14, 18, 21, 25, 28	10:15	13:35	SQ 931

Malaysia

Route	Month	Date(s)	Departure Time	Arrival Time	Flight Number
Kuala Lumpur - Singapore	September	2, 4, 7, 9, 11, 14, 16, 18, 21, 23, 25, 28, 30	10:25	11:35	SQ 105
	September	5, 6, 12, 13, 19, 20, 26, 27	10:25	11:25	MI 323
	September	1, 3, 8, 10, 15, 17, 22, 24, 29	11:10	12:10	MI 323
	October	2, 5, 7, 9, 12, 14, 16, 19, 21, 23, 26, 28, 30	10:25	11:35	SQ 105
	October	3, 4, 10, 11, 17, 18, 24, 25, 31	10:25	11:25	MI 323
	October	27, 29	11:05	12:15	MI 323
	October	1, 6, 8, 13, 15, 20, 22	11:10	12:10	MI 323
	November	1, 7, 8, 14, 15, 21, 22, 28, 29	10:25	11:25	MI 323
	November	2, 4, 6, 9, 11, 13, 16, 18, 20, 23, 25, 27, 30	10:25	11:35	SQ 105
	November	3, 5, 10, 12, 17, 19, 24, 26	11:05	12:15	MI 323
Singapore - Kuala Lumpur	September	2, 4, 7, 9, 11, 14, 16, 18, 21, 23, 25, 28, 30	08:30	09:30	SQ 104
	September	5, 6, 12, 13, 19, 20, 26, 27	08:30	09:30	MI 324
	September	1, 3, 8, 10, 15, 17, 22, 24, 29	09:20	10:20	MI 324
	October	2, 5, 7, 9, 12, 14, 16, 19, 21, 23, 26, 28, 30	08:30	09:30	SQ 104
	October	3, 4, 10, 11, 17, 18, 24, 25, 31	08:30	09:30	MI 324
	October	1, 6, 8, 13, 15, 20, 22, 27, 29	09:20	10:20	MI 324
	November	1, 7, 8, 14, 15, 21, 22, 28, 29	08:30	09:30	MI 324
	November	2, 4, 6, 9, 11, 13, 16, 18, 20, 23, 25, 27, 30	08:30	09:30	SQ 104
	November	3, 5, 10, 12, 17, 19, 24, 26	09:20	10:20	MI 324

Thailand

Route	Month	Date(s)	Departure Time	Arrival Time	Flight Number
Bangkok - Singapore	September	1, 4, 6, 8, 11, 13, 15, 18, 20, 22, 25, 27, 29	18:30	21:55	SQ 979
	October	25, 27, 30	18:05	21:35	SQ 979
	October	2, 4, 6, 9, 11, 13, 16, 18, 20, 23	18:30	21:55	SQ 979
	November	1, 3, 6, 8, 10, 13, 15, 17, 20, 22, 24, 27, 29	18:05	21:35	SQ 979

The Philippines

Route	Month	Date(s)	Departure Time	Arrival Time	Flight Number
Cebu - Singapore	September	1, 6, 8, 13, 15, 20, 22, 27, 29	14:50	18:35	MI 559
	October	25, 27	14:25	18:30	MI 559
	October	4, 6, 11, 13, 18, 20	14:50	18:35	MI 559
	November	1, 3, 8, 10, 15, 17, 22, 24, 29	14:25	18:30	MI 559
Singapore - Cebu	September	1, 6, 8, 13, 15, 20, 22, 27, 29	10:30	14:00	MI 560
	October	25, 27	09:25	13:20	MI 560
	October	4, 6, 11, 13, 18, 20	10:30	14:00	MI 560
	November	1, 3, 8, 10, 15, 17, 22, 24, 29	09:25	13:20	MI 560
Manila - Singapore	September	1, 6, 8, 13, 15, 20, 22, 27, 29	14:15	17:55	SQ 917
	October	25, 27	14:05	17:50	SQ 917
	October	4, 6, 11, 13, 18, 20	14:15	17:55	SQ 917
	November	1, 3, 8, 10, 15, 17, 22, 24, 29	14:05	17:50	SQ 917
Singapore - Manila	September	1, 8, 15, 20, 22, 27, 29	09:30	13:05	SQ 910
	October	25, 27	09:15	12:50	SQ 910
	October	4, 6, 11, 13, 18, 20	09:30	13:05	SQ 910
	November	1, 3, 8, 10, 15, 17, 22, 24, 29	09:15	12:50	SQ 910

Vietnam

Route	Month	Date(s)	Departure Time	Arrival Time	Flight Number
Hanoi - Singapore	September	4, 11, 18, 25	12:35	17:05	SQ 175
	October	2, 9, 16, 23	12:35	17:05	SQ 175
	October	30	12:35	17:15	SQ 175
	November	6, 13, 20, 27	12:35	17:15	SQ 175
Ho Chi Minh City - Singapore	September	3, 6, 10, 13, 17, 20, 24, 27	12:30	15:30	SQ 177
	October	25, 29	12:15	15:20	SQ 177
	October	1, 4, 8, 11, 15, 18, 22	12:30	15:30	SQ 177
	November	1, 5, 8, 12, 15, 19, 22, 26, 29	12:15	15:20	SQ 177

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NORTH ASIA

China

Route	Month	Date(s)	Departure Time	Arrival Time	Flight Number
Chongqing - Singapore	September	7, 14, 21,28	12:35	17:30	MI 971
	October	5, 12, 19	12:35	17:30	MI 971
	October	26	12:40	17:25	MI 971
	November	2, 9, 16, 23,30	12:40	17:25	MI 971
Singapore - Chongqing	September	7, 14, 21,28	07:00	11:35	MI 972
	October	5, 12, 19	07:00	11:35	MI 972
	October	26	07:00	11:40	MI 972
	November	2, 9, 16, 23,30	07:00	11:40	MI 972
Shanghai - Singapore	September	7, 14, 21,28	16:50	22:20	SQ 833
	October	26	16:25	22:15	SQ 833
	October	5, 12, 19	16:50	22:20	SQ 833
	November	2, 9, 16, 23,30	16:25	22:15	SQ 833
Singapore - Shanghai	September	7, 14, 21,28	09:30	15:05	SQ 830
	October	26	09:20	14:35	SQ 830
	October	5, 12, 19	09:30	15:05	SQ 830
	November	2, 9, 16, 23,30	09:20	14:35	SQ 830

Hong Kong SAR, China

Route	Month	Date(s)	Departure Time	Arrival Time	Flight Number
Hong Kong - Singapore	September	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24,25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30	12:25	16:20	SQ 891
	October	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24	12:25	16:20	SQ 891
	October	25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31	12:30	16:30	SQ 891

	November	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30	12:30	16:30	SQ 891
Singapore - Hong Kong	September	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30	07:25	11:20	SQ 890
	October	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24	07:25	11:20	SQ 890
	October	25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31	07:35	11:20	SQ 890
	November	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30	07:35	11:20	SQ 890

Japan

Route	Month	Date(s)	Departure Time	Arrival Time	Flight Number
Osaka - Singapore	September	2, 5, 9, 12, 16, 19, 23, 26, 30	23:25	04:40	SQ 623
	October	28, 31	23:20	05:10	SQ 623
	October	3, 7, 10, 14, 17, 21, 24	23:25	04:40	SQ 623
	November	3, 4, 7, 10, 11, 14, 17, 18, 21, 24, 25, 28	23:20	05:10	SQ 623
Singapore - Osaka	September	2, 5, 9, 12, 16, 19, 23, 26, 30	14:30	22:10	SQ 622
	October	3, 7, 10, 14, 17, 21, 24	14:30	22:10	SQ 622
	October	28, 31	14:45	21:50	SQ 622
	November	3, 4, 7, 10, 11, 14, 17, 18, 21, 24, 25, 28	14:45	21:50	SQ 622
Singapore - Tokyo (Narita)	September	2, 6, 7, 9, 13, 14, 16, 20, 21, 23, 27, 28, 30	00:25	08:30	SQ 638
	October	25, 26, 28	00:20	07:55	SQ 638
	October	4, 5, 7, 11, 12, 14, 18, 19, 21	00:25	08:30	SQ 638
	November	1, 2, 4, 8, 9, 11, 15, 16, 18, 22, 23, 25, 29, 30	00:20	07:55	SQ 638
Tokyo (Narita) - Singapore	September	2, 6, 7, 9, 13, 14, 16, 20, 21, 23, 27, 28, 30	10:10	16:20	SQ 637
	October	25, 26, 28	09:40	16:30	SQ 637
	October	4, 5, 7, 11, 12, 14, 18, 19, 21	10:10	16:20	SQ 637
	November	1, 2, 4, 8, 9, 11, 15, 16, 18, 22, 23, 25, 29, 30	09:40	16:30	SQ 637

South Korea

Route	Month	Date(s)	Departure Time	Arrival Time	Flight Number
Seoul - Singapore	September	2, 5, 6, 9, 12, 13, 16, 19, 20, 23, 26, 27, 30	16:45	22:00	SQ 609
	October	25, 27, 28, 29, 31	16:35	22:20	SQ 609
	October	1, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 17, 18, 20, 21, 22, 24	16:45	22:00	SQ 609
	November	1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29	16:35	22:20	SQ 609
Singapore - Seoul	September	2, 5, 6, 9, 12, 13, 16, 19, 20, 23, 26, 27, 30	08:00	15:35	SQ 600
	October	1, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 17, 18, 20, 21, 22, 24	08:00	15:35	SQ 600
	October	25, 27, 28, 29, 31	08:05	15:30	SQ 600
	November	1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29	08:05	15:30	SQ 600

Taiwan, China

Route	Month	Date(s)	Departure Time	Arrival Time	Flight Number
Singapore - Taipei	September	5, 12, 19, 26	08:20	13:10	SQ 876
	September	2, 4, 9, 11, 16, 18, 23, 25, 30	11:45	16:40	SQ 878
	October	31	08:10	12:55	SQ 876
	October	3, 10, 17, 24	08:20	13:10	SQ 876
	October	28, 30	11:25	16:20	SQ 878
	October	2, 7, 9, 14, 16, 21, 23	11:45	16:40	SQ 878
	November	7, 14, 21, 28	08:10	12:55	SQ 876
	November	4, 6, 11, 13, 18, 20, 25, 27	11:25	16:20	SQ 878
Taipei - Singapore	September	5, 12, 19, 26	14:20	18:55	SQ 877
	September	2, 4, 9, 11, 16, 18, 23, 25, 30	17:45	22:15	SQ 879
	October	31	14:10	18:55	SQ 877

October	3, 10, 17, 24	14:20	18:55	SQ 877
October	28, 30	17:35	22:20	SQ 879
October	2, 7, 9, 14, 16, 21, 23	17:45	22:15	SQ 879
November	7, 14, 21, 28	14:10	18:55	SQ 877
November	4, 6, 11, 13, 18, 20, 25, 27	17:35	22:20	SQ 879

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Australia

Route	Month	Date(s)	Departure time	Arrival time	Flight Number
Adelaide - Singapore	September	1, 8, 15, 22, 29	09:10	15:10	SQ 278
	October	6, 13, 20	10:10	15:10	SQ 278
	October	27	10:35	15:10	SQ 278
	November	3, 6, 10, 13, 17, 20, 24, 27	10:35	15:10	SQ 278
Singapore - Adelaide	September	8, 15, 22, 29	08:30	16:45	SQ 277
	September	7, 14, 21, 28	23:10	07:25	SQ 279
	October	6, 13, 20	08:30	17:45	SQ 277
	October	5, 12, 19	23:10	08:25	SQ 279
	October	26	23:40	09:05	SQ 279
	November	2, 5, 9, 12, 16, 19, 23, 26, 30	23:40	09:05	SQ 279
Brisbane - Singapore	September	4, 6, 11, 13, 18, 20, 25, 27	23:00	05:00	SQ 288
	October	2	23:00	05:00	SQ 288
	October	4, 9, 11, 16, 18, 23	23:00	05:10	SQ 288
	October	25, 30	23:00	05:05	SQ 288
	November	3, 7, 10, 14, 17, 21, 24, 28	14:45	20:35	SQ 236
	November	1, 6, 8, 13, 15, 20, 22, 27, 29	23:00	05:05	SQ 288
Singapore - Brisbane	November	2, 6, 9, 13, 16, 20, 23, 27, 30	00:55	10:45	SQ 255
Singapore - Sydney - Brisbane	September	4, 6, 11, 13, 18, 20, 25, 27	09:35	21:55	SQ 288
	October	2	09:35	21:55	SQ 288
	October	4, 9, 11, 16, 18, 23	09:35	21:55	SQ 288
	October	25, 30	09:35	22:05	SQ 288
	November	1, 6, 8, 13, 15, 20, 22, 27, 29	09:35	22:05	SQ 288
Melbourne - Singapore	September	5, 12, 19, 26	09:35	15:25	SQ 238
	September	7, 14, 21, 28	23:50	05:45	SQ 218
	October	27	00:50	05:30	SQ 218
	October	6, 13, 20	00:50	05:45	SQ 218

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Route	Month	Date(s)	Departure time	Arrival time	Flight Number
Melbourne - Singapore	October	3	09:35	15:25	SQ 238
	October	31	10:35	15:15	SQ 238
	October	10, 17, 24	10:35	15:25	SQ 238
	November	2, 7, 8, 9, 14, 15, 16, 21, 22, 23, 28, 29, 30	00:35	05:15	SQ 218
	November	2, 3, 4, 5, 9, 10, 11, 12, 16, 17, 18, 19, 23, 24, 25, 26, 30	16:40	21:20	SQ 228
Singapore - Melbourne	October	30	11:00	21:25	SQ 217
	October	25	23:55	10:20	SQ 237
	November	2, 3, 4, 5, 9, 10, 11, 12, 16, 17, 18, 19, 23, 24, 25, 26, 30	00:25	10:50	SQ 237
	November	1, 6, 7, 8, 13, 14, 15, 20, 21, 22, 27, 28, 29	11:00	21:25	SQ 217
Perth - Singapore	September	1, 5, 6, 8, 12, 13, 15, 19, 20, 22, 26, 27, 29	16:35	22:00	SQ 214
	October	25, 27, 31	16:35	21:45	SQ 214
	October	3, 4, 6, 10, 11, 13, 17, 18, 20, 24	16:35	22:00	SQ 214
	November	1, 3, 7, 8, 10, 14, 15, 17, 21, 22, 24, 28, 29	16:35	21:45	SQ 214
Singapore - Perth	September	1, 5, 6, 8, 12, 13, 15, 19, 20, 22, 26, 27, 29	10:05	15:15	SQ 223
	October	25, 27, 31	10:05	15:20	SQ 223
	October	3, 4, 6, 10, 11, 13, 17, 18, 20, 24	10:05	15:15	SQ 223
	November	1, 3, 7, 8, 10, 14, 15, 17, 21, 22, 24, 28, 29	10:05	15:20	SQ 223
Sydney - Singapore	September	1, 5, 7, 8, 12, 14, 15, 19, 21, 22, 26, 28, 29	12:10	18:40	SQ 232
	October	3	15:00	21:20	SQ 222
	October	5, 6, 10, 12, 13, 17, 19, 20, 24	16:00	21:20	SQ 222
	October	26, 27, 31	16:10	21:20	SQ 222
	November	2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, 16, 17, 18, 19, 21, 23, 24, 25, 26, 28, 30	16:10	21:20	SQ 222

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Route	Month	Date(s)	Departure time	Arrival time	Flight Number
Sydney - Brisbane - Singapore	September	4, 6, 11, 13, 18, 20, 25, 27	20:25	05:00	SQ 288
	October	2	20:25	05:00	SQ 288
	October	4, 9, 11, 16, 18, 23	21:25	05:10	SQ 288
	October	25, 30	21:35	05:05	SQ 288
	November	1, 6, 8, 13, 15, 20, 22, 27, 29	21:35	05:05	SQ 288
Singapore - Sydney	September	1, 5, 7, 8, 12, 14, 15, 19, 21, 22, 26, 28, 29	00:45	10:25	SQ 231
	September	4, 6, 11, 13, 18, 20, 25, 27	09:35	19:15	SQ 288
	October	3	00:45	10:25	SQ 231
	October	5, 6, 10, 12, 13, 17, 19, 20, 24	00:45	11:25	SQ 231
	October	26, 27, 31	00:45	11:50	SQ 231
	October	2	09:35	19:15	SQ 288
	October	4, 9, 11, 16, 18, 23	09:35	20:15	SQ 288
	October	25, 30	09:35	20:25	SQ 288
	November	2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, 16, 17, 18, 19, 21, 23, 24, 25, 26, 28, 30	00:45	11:50	SQ 231
	November	1, 6, 8, 13, 15, 20, 22, 27, 29	09:35	20:25	SQ 288

New Zealand

Route	Month	Date(s)	Departure time	Arrival time	Flight Number
Auckland - Singapore	September	29	00:20	06:10	SQ 282
	September	1, 3, 5, 8, 10, 12, 15, 17, 19, 22, 24, 26	14:10	21:00	SQ 286
	September	29	15:10	21:00	SQ 286
	September	7, 14, 21	23:20	06:10	SQ 282
	October	6, 13, 20	00:20	06:10	SQ 282
	October	27	01:20	06:45	SQ 282
	October	1, 3, 6, 8, 10, 13, 15, 17, 20, 22, 24	15:10	21:00	SQ 286
	October	27, 29, 31	15:15	20:55	SQ 286
	November	3, 10, 17, 24	01:20	06:45	SQ 282
	November	3, 4, 5, 7, 10, 11, 12, 14, 17, 18, 19, 21, 24, 25, 26, 28	15:15	20:55	SQ 286
Singapore - Auckland	September	2, 4, 9, 11, 16, 18, 23, 25	08:45	22:20	SQ 281
	September	30	08:45	23:20	SQ 281
	September	6, 13, 20	18:40	08:15	SQ 285
	September	27	18:40	09:15	SQ 285
	September	5, 12, 19	23:55	13:30	SQ 283
	September	26	23:55	14:30	SQ 283
	October	2, 7, 9, 14, 16, 21, 23	08:45	23:20	SQ 281
	October	28, 30	08:45	23:35	SQ 281
	October	4, 11, 18	18:40	09:15	SQ 285
	October	25	18:40	09:35	SQ 285
	October	31	23:55	14:50	SQ 283
	October	3, 10, 17, 24	23:55	14:30	SQ 283
	November	4, 6, 11, 13, 18, 20, 25, 27	08:45	23:35	SQ 281
	November	1, 2, 8, 9, 15, 16, 22, 23, 29, 30	18:40	09:35	SQ 285
	November	7, 14, 21, 28	23:55	14:50	SQ 283
	Christchurch - Singapore	September	1, 8, 12, 15, 19, 22, 26	10:50	17:40
September		29	11:50	17:40	SQ 298
October		3, 6, 8, 10, 13, 15, 17, 20, 22, 24	11:50	17:40	SQ 298
October		27, 29, 31	12:00	17:40	SQ 298
November		3, 5, 7, 10, 12, 14, 17, 19, 21, 24, 26, 28	12:00	17:40	SQ 298

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Route	Month	Date(s)	Departure time	Arrival time	Flight Number
Singapore - Christchurch	September	6, 10, 13, 17, 20, 24	23:00	12:40	SQ 297
	September	27	23:00	13:40	SQ 297
	October	1, 4, 6, 8, 11, 13, 15, 18, 20, 22	23:00	13:40	SQ 297
	October	25, 27, 29	23:00	13:50	SQ 297
	November	1, 3, 5, 8, 10, 12, 15, 17, 19, 22, 24, 26, 29	23:00	13:50	SQ 297

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Denmark

Route	Month	Date(s)	Departure time	Arrival time	Flight Number
Copenhagen - Singapore	September	5, 12, 19, 26	12:20	06:20	SQ 351
	October	3, 10, 17, 24	12:20	06:20	SQ 351
	October	31	12:30	07:30	SQ 351
	November	7, 14, 21, 28	12:30	07:30	SQ 351
Singapore - Copenhagen	September	3, 10, 17, 24	23:50	06:25	SQ 352
	October	30	00:30	06:35	SQ 352
	October	1, 8, 15, 22	23:50	06:25	SQ 352
	November	6, 13, 20, 27	00:30	06:35	SQ 352

France

Route	Month	Date(s)	Departure time	Arrival time	Flight Number
Paris - Singapore	September	3, 5, 7, 10, 12, 14, 17, 19, 21, 24, 26, 28	12:00	06:50	SQ 335
	October	26, 29, 31	10:40	06:15	SQ 335
	October	1, 3, 5, 8, 10, 12, 15, 17, 19, 22, 24	12:00	06:50	SQ 335
	November	2, 5, 7, 9, 12, 14, 16, 19, 21, 23, 26, 28, 30	10:40	06:15	SQ 335
Singapore - Paris	September	2, 4, 6, 9, 11, 13, 16, 18, 20, 23, 25, 27, 30	0:15	07:35	SQ 336
	October	25, 28, 30	0:15	07:15	SQ 336
	October	2, 4, 7, 9, 11, 14, 16, 18, 21, 23	0:15	07:35	SQ 336
	November	1, 4, 6, 8, 11, 13, 15, 18, 20, 22, 25, 27, 29	0:15	07:15	SQ 336

Germany

Route	Month	Date(s)	Departure time	Arrival time	Flight Number
Frankfurt - Singapore	September	2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 11, 12, 13, 14, 16, 18, 19, 20, 21, 23, 25, 26, 27, 28, 30	12:30	06:50	SQ 025
	October	25, 26, 28, 30, 31	11:40	06:50	SQ 025
	October	2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, 16, 17, 18, 19, 21, 23, 24	12:30	06:50	SQ 025
	November	1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16, 18, 20, 21, 22, 23, 25, 27, 28, 29, 30	11:40	06:50	SQ 025
Singapore - Frankfurt	September	1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10, 11, 12, 13, 15, 17, 18, 19, 20, 22, 24, 25, 26, 27, 29	23:55	06:45	SQ 26
	October	1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, 15, 16, 17, 18, 20, 22, 23	23:55	06:45	SQ 26
	October	24, 25, 27, 29, 30, 31	23:55	06:20	SQ 26
	November	1, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 12, 13, 14, 15, 17, 19, 20, 21, 22, 24, 26, 27, 28, 29	23:55	06:20	SQ 26

Italy

Route	Month	Date(s)	Departure time	Arrival time	Flight Number
Milan - Singapore	September	5, 12, 19, 26	13:30	07:30	SQ 377
	October	3, 10, 17, 24	13:30	07:30	SQ 377
	October	31	13:30	08:25	SQ 377
	November	7, 14, 21, 28	13:30	08:25	SQ 377
Singapore - Milan	September	3, 10, 17, 24	22:30	05:10	SQ 378
	October	1, 8, 15, 22	22:30	05:10	SQ 378
	October	29	23:00	05:10	SQ 378
	November	5, 12, 19, 26	23:00	05:10	SQ 378

Spain

Route	Month	Date(s)	Departure time	Arrival time	Flight Number
Barcelona - Milan - Singapore	September	5, 12, 19, 26	10:40	07:30	SQ 377
	October	3, 10, 17, 24	10:40	07:30	SQ 377
	October	31	10:40	08:25	SQ 377
	November	7, 14, 21, 28	10:40	08:25	SQ 377
Singapore - Milan - Barcelona	September	3, 10, 17, 24	22:30	07:45	SQ 378
	October	1, 8, 15, 22	22:30	07:45	SQ 378
	October	29	23:00	07:45	SQ 378
	November	5, 12, 19, 26	23:00	07:45	SQ 378

Switzerland

Route	Month	Date(s)	Departure time	Arrival time	Flight Number
Zurich - Singapore	September	3, 5, 7, 10, 12, 14, 17, 19, 21, 24, 26, 28	11:45	5:55	SQ 345
	October	26, 29, 31	10:35	06:00	SQ 345
	October	1, 3, 5, 8, 10, 12, 15, 17, 19, 22, 24	11:45	05:55	SQ 345
	November	2, 5, 7, 9, 12, 14, 16, 19, 21, 23, 26, 28, 30	10:35	06:00	SQ 345
Singapore - Zurich	September	2, 4, 6, 9, 11, 13, 16, 18, 20, 23, 25, 27, 30	01:25	08:15	SQ 346
	October	2, 4, 7, 9, 11, 14, 16, 18, 21, 23	01:25	08:15	SQ 346
	October	25, 28, 30	01:30	07:50	SQ 346
	November	1, 4, 6, 8, 11, 13, 15, 18, 20, 22, 25, 27, 29	01:30	07:50	SQ 346

The Netherlands

Route	Month	Date(s)	Departure time	Arrival time	Flight Number
Amsterdam - Singapore	September	3, 5, 7, 10, 12, 14, 17, 19, 21, 24, 26, 28	11:15	05:55	SQ 323
	October	26, 29, 31	10:25	05:55	SQ 323
	October	1, 3, 5, 8, 10, 12, 15, 17, 19, 22, 24	11:15	05:55	SQ 323
	November	2, 5, 7, 9, 12, 14, 16, 19, 21, 23, 26, 28, 30	10:25	05:55	SQ 323

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Route	Month	Date(s)	Departure time	Arrival time	Flight Number
Singapore - Amsterdam	September	1, 3, 5, 8, 10, 12, 15, 17, 19, 22, 24, 26, 29	23:55	07:15	SQ 324
	October	24	23:55	06:15	SQ 324
	October	27, 29, 31	23:55	06:45	SQ 324
	October	1, 3, 6, 8, 10, 13, 15, 17, 20, 22	23:55	07:15	SQ 324
	November	3, 5, 7, 10, 12, 14, 17, 19, 21, 24, 26, 28	23:55	06:45	SQ 324

The United Kingdom

Route	Month	Date(s)	Departure time	Arrival time	Flight Number
London (Heathrow) - Singapore	September	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30	11:25	07:30	SQ 317
	September	9, 11, 16, 18, 21, 22, 23, 25, 26, 28, 29, 30	20:50	16:55	SQ 319
	October	25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31	10:55	07:50	SQ 317
	October	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24	11:25	07:30	SQ 317
	October	26, 27, 28, 30, 31	20:35	17:30	SQ 319
	October	2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 12, 13, 14, 16, 17, 19, 20, 21, 23, 24	20:50	16:55	SQ 319
	October	24	20:50	17:00	SQ 319
	November	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30	10:55	07:50	SQ 317
November	2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 16, 17, 18, 20, 21, 23, 24, 25, 27, 28, 30	20:35	17:30	SQ 319	
Singapore - London (Heathrow)	September	9, 11, 16, 18, 21, 22, 23, 25, 26, 28, 29, 30	09:00	15:40	SQ 308
	September	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30	23:30	05:55	SQ 322
	October	2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 12, 13, 14, 16, 17, 19, 20, 21, 23, 24	09:00	15:40	SQ 308
	October	26, 27, 28, 30, 31	09:00	15:20	SQ 308

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Route	Month	Date(s)	Departure time	Arrival time	Flight Number
Singapore - London (Heathrow)	October	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23	23:30	05:55	SQ 322
	October	24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31	23:45	05:55	SQ 322
	November	2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 16, 17, 18, 20, 21, 23, 24, 25, 27, 28, 30	09:00	15:20	SQ 308
	November	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30	23:45	05:55	SQ 322

Turkey

Route	Month	Date(s)	Departure time	Arrival time	Flight Number
Istanbul - Singapore	September	10, 17, 24	23:00	14:30	SQ 391
	October	1	23:00	14:30	SQ 391
	October	9, 16, 23	00:05	17:05	SQ 391
	October	30	00:05	16:35	SQ 391
	November	6, 13, 20, 27	00:05	16:35	SQ 391
Singapore - Istanbul	September	2, 9, 16, 23, 30	23:30	05:30	SQ 392
	October	28	23:30	07:30	SQ 392
	October	7, 14, 21	23:30	06:30	SQ 392
	November	4, 11, 18, 25	23:30	07:30	SQ 392

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The United States

Route	Month	Date(s)	Departure Time	Arrival Time	Flight Number
Los Angeles - Singapore	September	2, 5, 7, 9, 12, 14, 16, 19, 21, 23, 26, 28, 30	00:05	08:15	SQ 37
	October	3, 5, 7, 10, 12, 14, 17, 19, 21, 24	00:05	08:15	SQ 37
	October	25, 27, 30	23:25	08:15	SQ 37
	November	1, 3, 6, 8, 10, 13, 15, 17, 20, 22, 24, 27, 29	22:25	08:15	SQ 37
Singapore - Los Angeles	September	2, 4, 6, 9, 11, 13, 16, 18, 20, 23, 25, 27, 30	17:00	17:55	SQ 38
	October	2, 4, 7, 9, 11, 14, 16, 18, 21, 23	17:00	17:55	SQ 38
	October	25, 28, 30	19:40	19:50	SQ 38
	November	1, 4, 6, 8, 11, 13, 15, 18, 20, 22, 25, 27, 29	19:40	18:50	SQ 38

Covid-19: Singapore Airlines and SilkAir Flight Schedules in August, September, October and November 2020

Singapore Airlines (SIA) and SilkAir have increased the frequency of selected services in their passenger network in August, September, October and November 2020, and reinstated flights to Phnom Penh, Surabaya, and Taipei. By the end of November 2020, the Group's passenger capacity will reach approximately 11% of its pre-Covid-19 levels.¹

All flights are subject to regulatory approvals. Please note that these schedules are subject to changes. Customers will be informed of schedule changes via SMS and email. To receive flight updates via SMS and email, provide your contact details in [Manage Booking](#).

Please note that some destinations continue to have travel restrictions, including limits on passenger numbers. As a result, some of the flights that have been listed may be closed for sale.

Please note that all other flights that had been originally scheduled in August to November 2020 but are not listed in the schedules will be cancelled. Customers will be gradually informed via SMS and email about the cancellation.

Customers whose flights were cancelled by SIA or SilkAir will retain the full value of the unused portion of their tickets as flight credits. They will also be awarded bonus flight credits when rebooking their travel. Further information on Singapore Airlines' travel waiver policy may be found [here](#).

SIA and SilkAir will continue to adjust our capacity to match the demand for international air travel.

Transit flights through Singapore

SIA, SilkAir and Scoot customers can transit through Singapore Changi Airport from selected points in Europe, Asia and the South West Pacific region to any destination in the SIA Group network currently operated by SIA, SilkAir or Scoot. Please note that due to regulatory requirements, transfers to destinations in Mainland China are currently not allowed.

Please note that the transit flights through Singapore are only for outbound journeys from the list of cities in the table below. Passengers **will not** be able to transit from other points in the SIA Group network through Singapore into these cities.

Return Flights

Eligible customers may book a return flight only if both the point of origin and the final destination are in the list of cities approved for transit through Singapore.

For example, customers may book a return flight for Tokyo (NRT) – Singapore – Sydney as both Tokyo (NRT) and Sydney are among the list of departure cities for transit flights.

However, customers may only book a one-way outbound journey from Sydney – Singapore – New York as New York (JFK) is not among the list of departure cities for transit flights.

Due to further restrictions imposed by the Australian Government, Singapore Airlines will not operate passenger services from Singapore to Melbourne from 1 July to 08 August 2020. Flights from Melbourne to Singapore from 1 July to 30 August 2020 are operating as listed. We apologise to customers affected by these changes and will work with them to make alternate travel arrangements.

¹ As compared to the capacity in January 2020, before the onset of the Covid-19 outbreak.

Booking a Flight

Customers should book the full journey on one ticket, instead of splitting it up into separate tickets, to comply with regulatory requirements during this period. They should also ensure that they meet the entry requirements for their final destination.

Please note that transfers in Singapore are only allowed on flights between airlines within the SIA Group (Singapore Airlines, SilkAir and Scoot). Transfers to and from flights operated by other airlines are currently not permitted.

Covid-19: Advisory for customers travelling under Fast Lane arrangements

Singapore has established fast lane travel arrangements with various countries and regions, including Brunei, the Republic of Korea, Mainland China and Malaysia. Please note that travellers who do not adhere to the following requirements may be refused boarding.

Brunei

Singapore and Brunei have a Reciprocal Green Lane (RGL) arrangement to facilitate short-term essential business and official travel between the two countries. The RGL is only applicable for travel between airports in Singapore and Brunei which have available non-stop flight routes.

For applicants travelling from Brunei to Singapore, the receiving enterprise or government agency in Singapore will need to apply for a [SafeTravel Pass](#) on their behalf to use the RGL.

For applicants travelling from Singapore to Brunei, the receiving enterprise or government agency in Brunei will need to apply for an [Entry Travel Pass](#) on their behalf to use the RGL.

Details on the pre-departure health measures and the application process may be found [here](#).

Travellers will also need to bear the cost of post-arrival Covid-19 test(s) and stay in declared locations.

Singapore has also permitted general travel from Brunei. Non-RGL travellers will need to apply for an Air Travel Pass to enter Singapore. This is a separate arrangement from the RGL with different requirements and processes.

For more information on the Air Travel Pass, please click [here](#).

Republic of Korea (ROK)

Singapore and the ROK have a Fast Lane arrangement to facilitate essential business and official travel between the two countries. Those travelling via the Fast Lane are required to enter/exit only through Seoul (Incheon International Airport) at this point in time.

For applicants travelling from the ROK to Singapore, the receiving enterprise or government agency in Singapore will need to apply for a SafeTravel Pass on their behalf to use the Fast Lane. Further details on the application process, as well as the pre-departure and post-arrival requirements, can be found [here](#).

For applicants travelling from Singapore to the ROK, the receiving enterprise or government agency in the ROK will need to apply for an Isolation Exemption Certificate on their behalf to use the Fast Lane. Further details on the pre-departure and post-arrival requirements, can be found [here](#).

Malaysia

A [Reciprocal Green Lane](#) arrangement has been established to facilitate essential business and official travel between Singapore and Malaysia, up to a maximum of 14 days' stay.

Travellers under the RGL scheme are expected to undergo pre-departure and post-arrival Covid-19 PCR tests, abide by a pre-declared itinerary during their visit, and download and use TraceTogether for their entire period of stay. The RGL is only applicable for travel between (i) airports in Singapore and Malaysia which have available non-stop flight routes and (ii) land checkpoints. Further details on the inbound and outbound requirements under the RGL, and how to apply for a SafeTravel Pass to Singapore can be found [here](#).

Mainland China

Fast lanes arrangements have been established to facilitate essential business and official travel between Singapore and six provinces and municipalities in Mainland China (Chongqing, Guangdong, Jiangsu, Shanghai, Tianjin and Zhejiang).

Customers travelling from Mainland China to Singapore

Customers travelling from the above-mentioned six Chinese provinces and municipalities to Singapore must be sponsored by either a Singapore-based company or a Singapore Government agency, which will file an application on behalf of the traveller for a [SafeTravel Pass](#).

Approved SafeTravel Pass holders will be required to adhere to various pre-departure and post-arrival measures including having to undergo Covid-19 tests at their own costs. They will be exempted from the 14-day quarantine but must remain isolated for one to two days in their declared accommodation for the outcome of their test results.

Customers travelling from Singapore to Mainland China

Residents of Singapore seeking to travel to China for essential business or official travel via the fast lane must be sponsored by either a company or a government agency in China, which will file an application on behalf of the applicant with the local provincial/ municipal authorities.

The application process, documents required and prevailing Covid-19 control measures may vary among the provinces and municipalities. Customers are encouraged to verify the latest requirements with the relevant authorities. More details [here](#).

Customers are encouraged to factor in the time needed for the application process when booking their flights.

Cities approved for SIA, SilkAir and Scoot transit flights through Singapore

	City	Airline
Australia	Adelaide	Singapore Airlines
	Brisbane	Singapore Airlines
	Melbourne*	Singapore Airlines
	Perth	Singapore Airlines, Scoot
	Sydney	Singapore Airlines
Cambodia	Phnom Penh	SilkAir
China**	Chongqing	SilkAir
	Guangzhou	Scoot
	Nanjing	Scoot
	Shanghai	Singapore Airlines
Denmark	Copenhagen	Singapore Airlines
France	Paris	Singapore Airlines
Germany	Frankfurt	Singapore Airlines
Indonesia	Jakarta	Singapore Airlines
	Medan	SilkAir
	Palembang	Scoot (from 22 September)
	Pekanbaru	Scoot (from 17 September)
	Semarang	Scoot (from 21 October)
	Surabaya	Singapore Airlines (from 9 September 2020), Scoot
	Yogyakarta	Scoot (from 29 September)
Italy	Milan	Singapore Airlines
Hong Kong SAR, China	Hong Kong	Singapore Airlines, Scoot
Japan	Osaka	Singapore Airlines
	Tokyo (Narita)	Singapore Airlines, Scoot (from 9 September)
Malaysia	Ipoh	Scoot
	Kuala Lumpur	Singapore Airlines, SilkAir, Scoot
	Kuching	Scoot
	Penang	Scoot
New Zealand	Auckland	Singapore Airlines
	Christchurch	Singapore Airlines
South Korea	Seoul	Singapore Airlines, Scoot
Spain	Barcelona	Singapore Airlines
Switzerland	Zurich	Singapore Airlines
Taiwan, China	Kaohsiung	Scoot (from 19 September)
	Taipei	Singapore Airlines, Scoot
Thailand	Bangkok (Suvarnabhumi)	Singapore Airlines
The Netherlands	Amsterdam	Singapore Airlines
The United Kingdom	London (Heathrow)	Singapore Airlines
Turkey	Istanbul	Singapore Airlines
Vietnam	Hanoi	Singapore Airlines
	Ho Chi Minh City	Singapore Airlines

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**Please note that due to regulatory requirements, transfers to destinations in Mainland China are currently not allowed.

***Please note that the cities approved for transit flights must be your first point of departure. The exceptions are if your first point of departure is for a domestic flight, or if you are departing from a country in the Schengen area to connect to a SIA flight that is departing from another Schengen country.

Information is updated as of 4 September 2020

Scoot's Flight Schedules for September 2020

Updated on 10 September 2020, 9.00pm (GMT+8)

SOUTHEAST ASIA

Palembang, Indonesia

Route	Month	Date(s)	Departure time	Arrival time	Flight number
Singapore – Palembang	September	22	18:10	18:20	TR250
Palembang – Singapore	September	22	19:15	21:30	TR251

Pekanbaru, Indonesia

Route	Month	Date(s)	Departure time	Arrival time	Flight number
Singapore – Pekanbaru	September	17	10:55	10:55	TR252
Pekanbaru – Singapore	September	17	11:45	13:50	TR253

Surabaya, Indonesia

Route	Month	Date(s)	Departure time	Arrival time	Flight number
Singapore – Surabaya	September	18, 25	08:15	09:35	TR262
Surabaya – Singapore	September	18, 25	10:15	13:35	TR263

Yogyakarta, Indonesia

Route	Month	Date(s)	Departure time	Arrival time	Flight number
Singapore – Yogyakarta	September	29	08:25	09:30	TR212
Yogyakarta – Singapore	September	29	10:15	13:20	TR213

Ipoh, Malaysia

Route	Month	Date(s)	Departure time	Arrival time	Flight number
Singapore – Ipoh	September	13, 20, 27	11:20	12:30	TR480
Ipoh – Singapore	September	13, 20, 27	13:10	14:30	TR481

Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

Route	Month	Date(s)	Departure time	Arrival time	Flight number
Singapore – Kuala Lumpur	September	21	09:45	10:55	TR452
Kuala Lumpur – Singapore	September	21	11:35	12:50	TR453

Kuching, Malaysia

Route	Month	Date(s)	Departure time	Arrival time	Flight number
Singapore – Kuching	September	13, 20, 27	18:45	20:15	TR430
Kuching – Singapore	September	13, 20, 27	20:55	22:20	TR431

Penang, Malaysia

Route	Month	Date(s)	Departure time	Arrival time	Flight number
Singapore – Penang	September	18, 25	09:00	10:20	TR426
Penang – Singapore	September	18, 25	11:00	12:30	TR427

Clark, Philippines

Route	Month	Date(s)	Departure time	Arrival time	Flight number
Singapore – Clark	September	14, 21, 28	09:15	13:00	TR386
Clark – Singapore	September	14, 21, 28	14:20	18:00	TR387

NORTHEAST ASIA

Guangzhou, China

Route	Month	Date(s)	Departure time	Arrival time	Flight number
Singapore – Guangzhou	September	13, 20, 27	05:15	09:25	TR100
Guangzhou – Singapore	September	13, 20, 27	10:40	14:40	TR101

Nanjing, China

Route	Month	Date(s)	Departure time	Arrival time	Flight number
Singapore – Nanjing	September	17, 24	11:10	16:30	TR180
Nanjing – Singapore	September	17, 24	17:45	23:25	TR181

Hong Kong

Route	Month	Date(s)	Departure time	Arrival time	Flight number
Singapore – Hong Kong	September	13, 15, 18, 20, 22, 25, 27, 29	14:15	18:20	TR980
Hong Kong – Singapore	September	13, 15, 18, 20, 22, 25, 27, 29	19:20	23:15	TR981

Kaohsiung

Route	Month	Date(s)	Departure time	Arrival time	Flight number
Singapore – Kaohsiung	September	19, 26	06:05	10:25	TR884
Kaohsiung – Singapore	September	20, 27	15:30	19:35	TR885

Taipei - Seoul

Route	Month	Date(s)	Departure time	Arrival time	Flight number
Singapore – Taipei	September	11, 18, 25	09:10	14:00	TR880
Taipei – Seoul	September	11, 18, 25	15:00	18:35	TR880
Seoul – Taipei	September	12, 19, 26	09:40	11:20	TR881
Taipei – Singapore	September	12, 19, 26	12:20	16:50	TR881

Taipei – Tokyo (Narita)

Route	Month	Date(s)	Departure time	Arrival time	Flight number
Singapore – Taipei	September	16, 23, 30	07:00	11:35	TR882
Taipei – Tokyo (Narita)	September	16, 23, 30	12:35	16:55	TR882
Tokyo (Narita) – Taipei	September	17, 24	10:00	12:45	TR883
Taipei – Singapore	September	17, 24	13:45	18:20	TR883

AUSTRALIA

Perth

Route	Month	Date(s)	Departure time	Arrival time	Flight number
Singapore – Perth	September	14, 15, 21, 22, 28, 29	12:00	17:00	TR8
		11, 18, 25	15:30	20:35	TR16
Perth – Singapore	September	14, 15, 21, 22, 28, 29	18:00	23:45	TR9
		11, 18, 25	21:50	03:15 (+1)	TR17

Flight schedules may be subject to change due to regulatory reasons.

Scot will continue to adjust our network in response to the COVID-19 outbreak.

All other Scot flights originally scheduled for the month of September will be cancelled. Travel restrictions are in place around the world to contain the spread of COVID-19. It is the responsibility of customers to check with the relevant authorities to ensure that they have the necessary documentation and are eligible to travel to and enter their destination country.

Travel requirements and green lane arrangements

Kindly note that from 28 August 2020, all passengers, including Chinese nationals, departing Singapore for mainland China must present a certified health declaration form or green "HS" health code issued by the Chinese Embassy in Singapore during check in. A Covid-19 nucleic acid test is required as part of the submission to the embassy, and must be taken within five days before boarding. For more information, please click [here](#).

The Civil Aviation Authority of Singapore (CAAS) has announced that travellers [will gradually be allowed to transit through Singapore's Changi Airport from 2 June 2020](#). Scot customers can transit through Singapore Changi Airport from selected points, to any destination in the SIA Group network currently operated by Singapore Airlines, SilkAir or Scot. Transfers to and from flights operated by other airlines are currently not allowed. For more information, please click [here](#).

The Singapore Government has also announced plans to develop 'green lanes' for essential travel with selected countries. Details of the Singapore-China fast lane arrangements are available [here](#) and Singapore-Malaysia fast lane arrangements are available [here](#).

Customers affected by Flight Cancellations

All customers affected by the flight cancellations will be notified progressively, and will have two options to claim a refund on the unused portion of their itinerary.

1. A 100% refund via the original method of payment, or
2. A 120% refund in Scot vouchers, valid for 12 months.

More information on Scot's refund policy can be found [here](#).

Those who booked through third-party booking channels or travel agencies are advised to contact the relevant channel or agents for assistance with refunds.

Due to high call volumes at our call centre, customers who wish to contact Scot may do so via alternative channels such as our [online feedback form](#), or via [Facebook Messenger](#).

For all new bookings made on our website, mobile app or WeChat mini booking site from now till 30 November 2020 (inclusive), Scoot is extending a one-time free date change (fare difference may apply) so as to give customers more confidence to plan ahead for their travels. For these bookings, the one-time free date change can be utilised up to four hours before the scheduled flight departure time.

The one-time free date change can be done at the customer's convenience through our "[Manage My Booking](#)" page or on our mobile app, so that they do not have to contact our call centre.

COVID-19: Scoot Passengers Transiting Through Singapore

Scoot, Singapore Airlines and SilkAir customers can transit through Singapore Changi Airport from selected points in Australia, China, Denmark, France, Germany, Hong Kong SAR, Italy, Japan, New Zealand, South Korea, Spain, Switzerland, Taiwan, the Netherlands, and the United Kingdom, to any destination in the SIA Group network currently operated by SIA, SilkAir or Scoot.

Cities approved for SIA, SilkAir and Scoot transit flights through Singapore:

	City	Airline
Australia	Adelaide	Singapore Airlines
	Brisbane	Singapore Airlines
	Melbourne ¹	Singapore Airlines
	Perth	Singapore Airlines, Scoot
	Sydney	Singapore Airlines
Cambodia	Phnom Penh	SilkAir
China²	Chongqing	SilkAir
	Guangzhou	Scoot
	Nanjing	Scoot
	Shanghai	Singapore Airlines
Denmark	Copenhagen	Singapore Airlines
France	Paris	Singapore Airlines
Germany	Frankfurt	Singapore Airlines

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Hong Kong SAR, China	Hong Kong	Singapore Airlines, Scoot
Indonesia	Jakarta	Singapore Airlines
	Medan	SilkAir
	Palembang	Scoot (from 22 September 2020)
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	Semarang	Scoot (from 21 October 2020)
	Surabaya	Singapore Airlines, Scoot
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Italy	Milan	Singapore Airlines
Japan	Osaka	Singapore Airlines
	Tokyo (Narita)	Singapore Airlines, Scoot
Malaysia	Ipoh	Scoot
	Kuala Lumpur	Singapore Airlines, SilkAir, Scoot
	Kuching	Scoot
	Penang	Scoot

New Zealand	Auckland	Singapore Airlines
	Christchurch	Singapore Airlines
Republic of Korea	Seoul	Singapore Airlines, Scoot
Spain	Barcelona	Singapore Airlines
Switzerland	Zurich	Singapore Airlines
Taiwan	Kaohsiung	Scoot (from 19 September 2020)
	Taipei	Singapore Airlines, Scoot
Thailand	Bangkok (Suvarnabhumi)	Singapore Airlines
The Netherlands	Amsterdam	Singapore Airlines
The United Kingdom	London (Heathrow)	Singapore Airlines
Turkey	Istanbul	Singapore Airlines
Vietnam	Hanoi	Singapore Airlines

	Ho Chi Minh City	Singapore Airlines
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Please note that these transit flights are only for outbound journeys from the selected cities above. Passengers will not be able to transfer from other points in the SIA Group network through Singapore into these cities. Return flights transiting through Singapore are possible only if passengers are transferring from one of these eligible cities to another.

For example, customers may book a return flight for Hong Kong – Singapore – Perth, as both Hong Kong and Perth are among the list of departure cities for transit flights. However, customers may only book a one-way outbound journey from Perth – Singapore – Penang, as Penang is not among the list of departure cities for transit flights.

Transfers are only allowed on flights between airlines within the SIA Group (Scoot, SIA and SilkAir). Transfers to and from flights operated by other airlines are currently not permitted. Passengers should ensure their flights are booked in a single booking. This is to ensure compliance with various authorities' health and safety measures for travel throughout their entire journey during this period.

In view of COVID-19, countries may have imposed additional requirements for travel. Customers transiting through Singapore should ensure that they meet the entry requirements for their final destination.

In line with regulatory requirements, transit passengers will be kept apart from non-transit passengers throughout their journey. This is to ensure the health and safety of our customers and staff.

Seat Selection

To meet regulatory requirements and facilitate contact tracing and safe distancing, online seat selection has been suspended. Instead, customers will be assigned seats when they check in.

Where possible, Scoot will endeavour to seat customers travelling with family, or customers in the same booking, together. Customers should not change seats in-flight.

During Transit

Scoot passengers transiting through Changi Airport will be welcomed by ground handling staff on arrival. Transit customers will be issued with an identifier, which indicates their access to the designated transit holding area. They should not remove the identifier throughout the time they are in the transit holding area.

If the transit time is less than 75 minutes, passengers will be ushered to their boarding gate. For transit times of over 75 minutes, they will be ushered to a designated transit holding area at their departure terminal before boarding their connecting flight. Scoot flights will depart from Terminal 1 of Changi Airport, while SIA and SilkAir flights will depart from

Terminal 3 of Changi Airport. Customers will have to head to the designated transit holding area directly and will not be able to make any stops along the way.

Facilities in the Terminal 1 transit holding area will include food kiosks, vending machines and restrooms. Complimentary Wi-Fi will be available.

Transit passengers may wish to note that Aerotel Singapore, the transit hotel at Changi Airport Terminal 1, is now open for bookings. Ambassador Transit Hotel at Terminal 3 is temporarily closed. Passengers with a hotel booking will first be ushered to airport's transit holding area for verification checks. They will be guided to the transit hotel only after the checks have been completed. They must strictly remain in the hotel throughout their stay. Upon checking out from the hotel, they will be ushered to the transit holding area before their connecting flight.

When it is time to board, transit passengers will be ushered in groups from the transit holding area directly to the boarding gate. They will be invited to board the aircraft first, followed by non-transit passengers.

On Board

There will be dedicated seating zones on board the aircraft to separate the transit and non-transit passengers. Passengers should remain in their designated zone throughout the flight. Upon arrival, non-transit passengers will disembark first, followed by transit passengers.

It is Scoot's highest priority to ensure the health and safety of our customers and crew, and we have enhanced precautionary measures in place to ensure our customers can fly with us safely, with peace of mind. More details can be found [here](#).

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To: All IMO Members
United Nations and specialized agencies
Intergovernmental organizations
Non-governmental organizations in consultative status

Subject: **Coronavirus (COVID 19) – Communication from the Secretary-General regarding the crew change crisis**

Numerous forums around the world have recognized the importance of shipping in keeping the global supply chain open in order to respond to and recover from the COVID-19 pandemic. A crucial component in keeping ships moving is the ability of shipowners and operators to safely conduct crew changes on ships.

Nearly 6 months have passed since COVID-19 was declared a pandemic, and the numerous restrictions and obstacles that prevent crew changes have created a humanitarian crisis at sea. According to estimates from the International Chamber of Shipping and the International Transport Workers Federation, more than 300,000 seafarers and marine personnel remain on board commercial vessels, unable to be repatriated and past the expiry of their contracts. In some cases, seafarers have been aboard their ships for more than 17 months, added to the challenges faced to get proper access to medical care and shore leave. A similar number of seafarers have been prevented from joining ships to change crews, creating a situation where they are unable to work. Despite these challenges, the seafarers on board ships have continued working, and the essential services seafarers have provided to the world have been nothing short of heroic.

The Organization has provided comprehensive guidance and protocols to the shipping industry and to Member Governments, through the Circular Letter No.4204 series, to allow crew changes to occur safely and securely. In addition, other United Nations agencies have highlighted the urgency of the matter, including in statements from the United Nations Secretary-General, Antonio Guterres. While significant progress has been made by many countries in allowing for crew changes for all seafarers, the rate of progress is not keeping pace with the backlog of ships requiring crew changes.

Seafarers cannot remain at sea indefinitely. In addition to the humanitarian crisis that has been caused by keeping seafarers effectively trapped on their vessels, the safety issues that arise from requiring overly fatigued and mentally exhausted seafarers to continue operating vessels

are a matter of great concern. If the crew change crisis is not resolved, ships will no longer be able to operate safely pursuant to the Organization's regulations and guidelines, further exacerbating the economic impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The crew change crisis must be resolved at the soonest possible time. Doing so requires a whole of government approach, across multiple ministries. In that light, I reiterate my call to all Member States to:

1. Designate all seafarers and marine personnel (not only nationals) within their jurisdiction as key workers providing an essential service.
2. Implement the protocols and guidance in the Circular Letter No.4204 series and allow for safe and secure crew changes.
3. Remove other barriers to crew changes, such as visa restrictions, flight restrictions, national travel and movement restrictions, access to medical care and testing, etc.

Further, I request that Member States consider raising the issue of seafarers and the crew change crisis during the upcoming high-level week of the 75th session of the United Nations General Assembly beginning on 22 September 2020. ILO, IMO and the UN Global Compact are organizing a side event during that week, to raise the visibility of the crew change crisis, most likely to take place on the World Maritime Day on 24 September.

Working together, this challenge to shipping and seafarers can be overcome. I pledge my best efforts and those of the IMO Secretariat in that regard.

Kitack Lim, Secretary-General
