



**PANAMA MARITIME AUTHORITY**  
**MERCHANT MARINE CIRCULAR MMC-353**

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**To: Master, Ship-owners, Operators, Company Security Officers and Ship Security Officers.**

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**Subject: Updated information to the Company Security Officer (CSO)**

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**Reference: MMC 206**

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1. According to the Part A, Section 11 of the ISPS Code, each Company shall designate a CSO for one or more ships, depending on the number or types of ships the Company operates.
2. The CSO designated by the Company has to obtain an Endorsement from the Panama Maritime Administration in order to comply with the duties and responsibilities on behalf of the Company.
3. In order to verify the CSO information in our data base, please complete and send back the [CSO Validation Form](#) with the information required before **December 15, 2017** to the following addresses: [isps@amp.gob.pa](mailto:isps@amp.gob.pa) and [info@panama-ssas.com](mailto:info@panama-ssas.com).
4. **From November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2017** all the CSO that already send the Validation Form described in the above paragraph or apply through the CSO Endorsement online application by the website link: <http://certificates.amp.gob.pa/certificates> will receive an email from [info@panama-ssas.com](mailto:info@panama-ssas.com) with their credentials and the instructions.
5. We will receive the Validation Form until **December 15, 2017**. After this date, please make the endorsement or revalidate the information through the online application.

**October 2017** – Inclusion of paragraph 4 and 5.

**August 2017** – New Circular

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