

COVID-19 Pandemic, Recent Ebola Outbreak and Update to CMI 2015 Questionnaire.

Dear Presidents, Titulary Members and Consultative Members,

We hope that this email finds you, your colleagues and your family well during this difficult and sad time.

In 2015 the CMI issued a questionnaire in relation to Epidemics and Pandemics worldwide. There was a very worthy and informative response from most of our member associations. The international importance of this subject has been highlighted by recent events which have made us realise that the original Questionnaire ought to be revised and recirculated so that the replies already received can be up-dated by those who responded at that time and augmented and made complete by those who did not or were unable to respond at that time.

Accordingly, we attach an updated questionnaire and we hope that your Association will find itself in a position to let us have your valued replies. We thank you very much in anticipation your assistance in this regard.

To those who have previously responded may we express our sincere thanks and we ask you to bear with us in answering questions which you have previously addressed. Indeed, if you have previously answered those questions, just say so. We have included those questions in the new questionnaire so that they may be updated if new information has come to hand. In any event, this approach will allow the response the new questionnaire to supersede the 2015 work completely.

We appreciate that the current situation is still quite fluid, and if we see the need for any further information, we will be in touch. For your part if there is any further information which you would like to furnish to us, we should be delighted to receive it.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact either of us.

With kind regards,

Christopher Davis, President.

Paul Gill, Chair, Epidemics and Pandemics IWG

Epidemics and Pandemics revised Questionnaire

PART 1

THE CURRENT COVID-19 PANDEMIC

A. What measures were taken by your jurisdiction during the current COVID-19 Pandemic:

- a. In relation to the landing of passengers and crew members from ferries?**
- b. In relation to the landing of passengers and crew from Cruise ships?**
- c. In relation to restricting or allowing the import, export or transit of cargo?**
- d. In relation to restricting or allowing the landing of drivers and their trucks from roll-on-roll-off ferries?**

B. Which authority (Department of State or Organisation) in your jurisdiction was responsible for implementing those measures during the current COVID-19 Pandemic:

- e. Which authority was responsible for deciding on the measures?**
- f. Which authority was responsible for providing expert advice on the measures?**
- g. Was there a formally established authority or committee for receiving and giving of expert advice?**
- h. Did the authority implement a pre-existing plan to deal with the pandemic?**
- i. Did the authority deviate from the pre-existing plan when dealing with the pandemic and why and when did it do so?**
- j. Did your authority implement measures to achieve so-called herd immunity while avoiding overwhelming your hospitals, or did your authority seek to suppress the virus *ab initio* or otherwise?**
- k. To what extent did your authority override health consideration in order to maintain the exchange of goods and services and the free movement of persons between your State and other states.**
- l. Which authority or authorities was or were responsible for enforcing the various measures?**

B. Were maritime administrations within your jurisdiction consulted in relation to decisions taken within your jurisdiction during the current COVID 19 Pandemic?

C. Were those who took decisions in your jurisdiction during current COVID 19 Pandemic aware of the requirements of:

- (i) The International Health Regulations 2005?**

(ii) The FAL Convention 1965 (as amended)?

(iii) The IMO-MLC Convention?

D. **Are you aware if your jurisdiction has denied free pratique to any vessel during the current COVID-19 pandemic?**

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PART 2

THE MOST RECENT EBOLA OUTBREAK

(ongoing in the Democratic Republic of the Congo since August 2018)

A. What measures (if any) were taken by your jurisdiction during the *most recent* Ebola outbreak?

B. Which Department of State or Organisation in your jurisdiction was responsible for implementing those measures (if any) during the *most recent* Ebola outbreak?

C. Were maritime administrations within your jurisdiction consulted in relation to decisions taken within your jurisdiction (if any) during the *most recent* Ebola Outbreak?

D. Were those who took decisions (if any) in your jurisdiction during the *most recent* Ebola outbreak aware of the requirements of:

(iv) The International Health Regulations 2005?

(v) The FAL Convention 1965 (as amended)?

(vi) The IMO-MLC Convention?

E. **Are you aware if your jurisdiction has denied free pratique to any vessel during the most recent Ebola outbreak?**

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PART 3

GENERAL QUESTIONS RELATING TO THE WHO AND YOUR ADMINISTRATION FROM THE IMLA 2015 QUESTION. (IF YOU ANSWERED THESE QUESTIONS IN 2015, PLEASE IGNORE THEM UNLESS YOU WOULD LIKE TO UPDATE WHERE FURTHER INFORMATION HAS COME TO YOUR KNOWLEDGE).

- Q1. Is your jurisdiction a member of the World Health Organisation?
- Q2. Has your jurisdiction given effect under its domestic law to the International Health Regulations 2005?
- Q3. Has your jurisdiction ratified the ILO-MLC 2006 Convention?
- Q4. What steps have been taken within your jurisdiction to give effect to the ILO-MLC 2006 Convention?
- Q5. Has your jurisdiction ratified the IMO Facilitation of Marine Traffic Convention 1965 (FAL Convention)?
- Q6. What steps have been taken within your jurisdiction to give effect to the FAL Convention?
- Q7. Are you aware if your jurisdiction has denied free pratique to a vessel during any of the following epidemics or pandemics – AVIAN FLU?
- SARS-1
 - CHIKUNGUNYA
 - MERS
 - EBOLA
- Q8. Are you aware if your jurisdiction has taken any steps to establish the care capacities identified in Sections A or B of Annex 1 of the International Health Regulations?
- Q9. Has your jurisdiction prepared a “national public health emergency health plan” in compliance with the International Health Regulations?
- Q.10. Can you provide the postal address, email address, and/or world wide web address where the pratique requirements and quarantine requirements of your jurisdiction can be obtained?