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Dear All

Nominating Committee, CMI Website, Newsletter and Assembly Meeting and Titulary Members

I would be grateful if you would forward this letter to all your members.

Nominating Committee

I trust you have received the Report of the Nominating Committee and its Corrigendum.

CMI Website

http://comitemaritime.org/

I am pleased to advise that the new website which Taco van der Valk and Evelien Peeters have been working on during the course of this year is now up and running. I would be grateful if you would let all your members know. If there is any information on that website which is inaccurate or whether it relates to your Association and you would prefer some of the information does not appear on the website please let me, Taco and Evelien know as soon as possible, so that it can be corrected. If you have any suggestions for the improvement of the website please do not hesitate to convey your thoughts to us. Could I take this opportunity also to remind you of the necessity to inform Evelien of any change in the officeholders or contact details of your Association. This information is needed not only for the website but the next issue of the Yearbook which will be published later this year. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Evelien and Taco for all the work they have done in modernising the website.

Taco Van der Valk’s email address (in relation to the website) is tvandervalk@akd.nl.
CMI Newsletter

http://comitemaritime.org/publications-documents/newsletters/

I am also pleased to let you know that the latest edition of the Newsletter has just been sent out to you. It is also available on the website. If you have not received it please let Evelien Peeters and me know. If your Association has held or is holding any meetings please inform Evelien if you would like them to be advertised on the CMI website before they take place and once they have taken place please let her have a note reporting on the meeting, including details of any papers which were presented, and where they might be accessed, which you consider might be of interest to a wider audience.

London Assembly Meeting 9 November 2018

Further to my 5 January and 28 March 2018 letters, as you know the CMI Assembly meeting will be taking place in London, at the IMO on 9 November 2018. There will be a number of activities taking place on both the 8 and 9 November. I am attaching this letter the latest version of the program for the London Meeting. If you have not already booked to attend the Donald O’May lecture or the dinner on the night of Thursday 8 November, please do so via the links on the booking form which you can also access via the CMI or the BMLA websites. It is also included in the latest Newsletter.

In relation to attendance at the Assembly Meeting, because it is being held in the IMO building and we wish to make a prompt start at 8.45am, it is suggested that anyone attending should aim to be at the IMO building as close to 8am as possible.

Could you or they advise Evelien Peeters and Rosalie Balkin of the following information at latest by 26 October:

- Full name
- Address
- Company or Organisation Represented

Failure to provide this information may lead to long days.

When they arrive at the IMO on Friday 9 November delegates should advise that they are attending the CMI meetings. Provided their name is on the list which the CMI will compile having received the above information from you they will then be given a day pass at the security desk. They will need to present identification, such as a passport or driving licence.

CMI will present a list of all delegates who have provided that information to the IMO. If the information is provided after 26 October we will endeavour to have it included but such delegates might be delayed in their security processing if their name has not made it onto the list.

If you have any questions about the above procedures please do not hesitate to contact me.

In order to contact Evelien Peeters at the CMI office in Antwerp please email her the above details at admin-antwerp@comitemaritime.org and Rosalie Balkin at secretary-general@comitemaritime.org.

Unmanned Ships

As you will see from the programme there will be a combined meeting after lunch on Friday, 9 November of IWGs and Standing Committee which have an interest in Unmanned Ships. It promises to be an interesting session and I attach a hypothetical scenario that they have developed for discussion purposes.
Agenda for Assembly meeting

I will be sending out the Agenda for the Assembly meeting in early September together with such papers as I have available at that time. As further papers come to me in October I will also forward them to you. We will have very limited access to photocopying (as there is no additional seminar or Colloquium taking place, there will be no CMI Secretariat office in London), so please bring any papers you require in hard copy with you.

Titulary Members

If you would like to put forward any of your members for Titulary membership please send me their CVs and an explanation as to the contribution he or she has made to the work of the CMI or your Association, in accordance with the Guidelines for Proposing the Election of Titulary and Provisional Members, as soon as possible.

I look forward to seeing you and your colleagues in London.

Yours faithfully

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