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 **To the CMI**

Piraeus 10 April 2020

**Re : Reply to the COVIT 19 questionnaire**

1. **Are the Courts in your jurisdiction open and functioning as per normal?**

No; proceedings have been suspended but for very limited exceptions. Court offices are attended only by minimum service personnel.

1. **If not, are there any exceptions to the arrest of ships and / or are other injunctive or enforcement procedures available?**

Yes, for urgent matters involving preservation of rights (such as ship arrests, freezing of accounts and other security measures); not for enforcement by way of foreclosure.

1. **Can Judicial Sale of Ships still take place?**

No.

1. **Do you know how long the Courts in your jurisdiction will be closed for ?**

According to the latest information they are closed until 27 April 2020.

1. **Is the flag registry in your jurisdiction (if applicable) operating as per normal in terms of the registration of ships and registration of mortgages and deletion of same ?**

Greek ships’ registries are in operation with minimum service personnel. Registration of sales, mortgages etc may be done by appointment.

1. **Has your flag administration issued any special exemptions for the period of the Pandemic?**

Ships’ certificates may be extended by up to three months and seafarers’ certificates have been extended by six months (see details at <http://www.hcg.gr/sites/default/files/article/attach/hmaCovid192signed.pdf>)

A summary of the measures taken by the Hellenic Maritime Administration (including reporting requirements and restrictions to ships calling at Greek ports) may be found at <http://www.hcg.gr/sites/default/files/article/attach/Hellenic%20Maritime%20Administration%20Covid%2019%20v.27.03.doc>

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