



MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT - PART 1

BETWEEN SHIP OPERATOR AND THE SECURITY COMPANY PROVIDING ARMED SECURITY PERSONNEL FOR THE PURPOSE OF PREVENTING UNAUTHORISED AND ILLEGAL BOARDING OF THE OPERATOR'S VESSEL WHILE ON PASSAGE.

For the granting of permission for the embarkation of armed personnel onto a Barbados flagged merchant vessel this MOA is required to be completed and filed at BMSR Central in London.

Application

Name of vessel:

Period of employment:

Country/Port of embarkation

Country/Port of disembarkation:

NAME OF COMPANY PROVIDING SECURITY SERVICES TO MERCHANT SHIPPING

Registered security company address

Place of Company Registration

Company Registration Number



Description of service as provided on registration certificate

Details of Government License allowing the provision of the above described services

The Provisos for Flag State approval

- a) That this MOA has been signed as accepted by BMSR and returned to the operator.
- b) That the BMSR Rules of Engagement have been agreed to by the security company.
- c) That the boarding security personnel shall be under the command of a Team Leader
- d) That the Team Leader will be under the command of the vessel's Captain.
- e) That all weapons boarded shall be under the control of the employees of the security company only and that no unauthorized contact with the weapons will be allowed.
- f) That the security company will provide all clearances etc. required for embarking and disembarking armed personnel on and off of the vessel by the respective port authorities
- g) The security company shall sign their agreement to comply with the BMSR Rules of Engagement below:
- h) The Ship Master shall follow all current practices for reducing the risk of unauthorised boarding including the registering of the ship and its transit with UKMTO and MSCHOA.
- i) The Ship Master will consider suggestions from the Team Leader for the further reduction of risk onboard his vessel.

The Five Rules of Engagement

- 1. Visual demonstration that the ship is under security guard protection
- 2. Audible warning to the sea going threat not to approach the vessel, inside 500m range.
- 3. Warning shot to deter any further approach towards the vessel from the sea going threat, inside 200m range.
- 4. Engage the vessel with minimal force to dissuade its continued approach, inside 100m range.
- 5. Use of deadly force is sanctioned only where armed insurgents have boarded the ship and there is clear and immediate danger to those persons onboard and the ship.



The following signatures of acceptance to this MOA confirm the respective understandings and agreements to both the Provisos and the Rules of Engagement contained in this MOA by all Parties.

Company operating

Vessel name

Duration of MOA validity

Date start

Date end

Director of ship operating company

Name

Dated

Signed

Security Company

Director of security service providing company

Name

Dated

Signed

Procedure for completing the MOA.

1. Ship operating company to complete and sign the MOA and send one pdf copy to BMSR and one to the security company for their signing.
2. The security company is to sign and return the pdf to the ship operator and send a copy to BMSR
3. BMSR when in possession of the MOA signed by both the ship operator and security companies will confirm acceptance of the MOA by signing the BMSR acceptance page as PART 2 and send it to the ship operator again as a pdf copy
4. When the ship operator is in possession of copies of the MOA countersigned by BMSR the deployment of armed guards is sanctioned.