

# **International Labour Conference**

# **Conférence internationale du Travail**

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OF THE MARITIME LABOUR CONVENTION, 2006,  
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**Amendment to the Code of the MLC, 2006,  
relating to Regulation 2.1**

*Standard A2.1 – Seafarers' employment agreements*

Insert a new paragraph 7:

7. Each Member shall require that a seafarer's employment agreement shall continue to have effect while a seafarer is held captive on or off the ship as a result of acts of piracy or armed robbery against ships, regardless of whether the date fixed for its expiry has passed or either party has given notice to suspend or terminate it. For the purpose of this paragraph, the term:

- (a) *piracy* shall have the same meaning as in the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea, 1982;
- (b) *armed robbery against ships* means any illegal act of violence or detention or any act of depredation, or threat thereof, other than an act of piracy, committed for private ends and directed against a ship or against persons or property on board such a ship, within a State's internal waters, archipelagic waters and territorial sea, or any act of inciting or of intentionally facilitating an act described above.

**Amendment to the Code of the MLC, 2006,  
relating to Regulation 2.2**

*Standard A2.2 – Wages*

Insert a new paragraph 7:

7. Where a seafarer is held captive on or off the ship as a result of acts of piracy or armed robbery against ships, wages and other entitlements under the seafarers' employment agreement, relevant collective bargaining agreement or applicable national laws, including the remittance of any allotments as provided in paragraph 4 of this Standard, shall continue to be paid during the entire period of captivity and until the seafarer is released and duly repatriated in accordance with Standard A2.5.1 or, where the seafarer dies while in captivity, until the date of death as determined in accordance with applicable national laws or regulations. The terms *piracy* and *armed robbery against ships* shall have the same meaning as in Standard A2.1, paragraph 7.

**Amendment to the Code of the MLC, 2006,  
relating to Regulation 2.5**

*Guideline B2.5.1 – Entitlement*

Replace paragraph 8 by the following:

8. The entitlement to repatriation may lapse if the seafarers concerned do not claim it within a reasonable period of time to be defined by national laws or regulations or collective agreements, except where they are held captive on or off the ship as a result of acts of piracy or armed robbery against ships. The terms *piracy* and *armed robbery against ships* shall have the same meaning as in Standard A2.1, paragraph 7.

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**Amendement au code de la MLC, 2006,  
concernant la règle 2.1**

*Norme A2.1 – Contrat d'engagement maritime*

Insérer un nouveau paragraphe 7, comme suit:

7. Tout Membre exige qu'un contrat d'engagement maritime continue à produire ses effets lorsque, à la suite d'actes de piraterie ou de vols à main armée à l'encontre des navires, le marin est tenu en captivité à bord du navire ou ailleurs, même si la date fixée pour son échéance est passée ou que l'une ou l'autre partie a notifié sa suspension ou résiliation. Aux fins du présent paragraphe, l'expression:

a) *piraterie* s'entend au sens de la Convention des Nations Unies sur le droit de la mer de 1982;

b) *vols à main armée à l'encontre des navires* désigne tout acte illicite de violence, de détention ou de dépréciation, ou menace de tels actes, autre qu'un acte de piraterie, commis à des fins privées contre un navire, ou contre des personnes ou des biens à son bord, dans les eaux intérieures, les eaux archipélagiques ou la mer territoriale d'un Etat, ou tout acte ayant pour but d'inciter à commettre un acte défini ci-dessus ou commis dans l'intention de le faciliter.

**Amendement au code de la MLC, 2006,  
concernant la règle 2.2**

*Norme A2.2 – Salaires*

Insérer un nouveau paragraphe 7, comme suit:

7. Lorsque, à la suite d'actes de piraterie ou de vols à main armée à l'encontre des navires, un marin est tenu en captivité à bord du navire ou ailleurs, le salaire et autres prestations prévus dans son contrat d'engagement maritime, la convention collective ou la législation nationale applicables continuent de lui être versés, et les virements prévus continuent d'être effectués, conformément au paragraphe 4 de la présente norme, pendant toute la période de captivité, jusqu'à ce que le marin soit libéré et dûment rapatrié, conformément à la norme A2.5.1 ou, lorsque le marin décède pendant sa captivité, jusqu'à la date de son décès telle que déterminée conformément à la législation nationale applicable. Les expressions *piraterie* et *vols à main armée à l'encontre des navires* ont la même signification qu'au paragraphe 7 de la norme A2.1.

**Amendement au code de la MLC, 2006,  
concernant la règle 2.5**

*Principe directeur B2.5.1 – Conditions des droits au rapatriement*

Remplacer le paragraphe 8 par ce qui suit:

8. Le droit au rapatriement peut expirer si le marin intéressé ne le revendique pas dans un délai raisonnable défini par la législation nationale ou les conventions collectives, sauf lorsque le marin est tenu en captivité à bord du navire ou ailleurs, à la suite d'actes de piraterie ou de vols à main armée à l'encontre des navires. Les expressions *piraterie* et *vols à main armée à l'encontre des navires* ont la même signification qu'au paragraphe 7 de la norme A2.1.

The foregoing is the authentic text of the Amendments duly approved by the General Conference of the International Labour Organization during its One hundred and seventh Session which was held at Geneva and declared closed the eighth day of June 2018.

IN FAITH WHEREOF we have appended our signatures this day of June 2018.

Le texte qui précède est le texte authentique des amendements dûment approuvés par la Conférence générale de l'Organisation internationale du Travail dans sa cent septième session qui s'est tenue à Genève et qui a été déclarée close le huitième jour de juin 2018.

EN FOI DE QUOI ont apposé leurs signatures, ce jour de juin 2018:

*The President of the Conference,  
La Présidente de la Conférence,*

*The Director-General of the International Labour Office,  
Le Directeur général du Bureau international du Travail,*

## INTERNATIONAL LABOUR CONFERENCE

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### AMENDMENTS OF 2016 TO THE MARITIME LABOUR CONVENTION, 2006

#### **Amendments to the Code relating to Regulation 4.3 of the MLC, 2006**

Guideline B4.3.1 – Provisions on occupational accidents, injuries and diseases

At the end of paragraph 1, add the following text:

Account should also be taken of the latest version of the *Guidance on eliminating shipboard harassment and bullying* jointly published by the International Chamber of Shipping and the International Transport Workers' Federation.

In paragraph 4, move “and” from the end of subparagraph (b) to the end of subparagraph (c). Add the following new subparagraph:

(d) harassment and bullying.

Guideline B4.3.6 – Investigations

In paragraph 2, move “and” from the end of subparagraph (e) to the end of subparagraph (f). Add the following new subparagraph:

(g) problems arising from harassment and bullying.

## **Amendments to the Code relating to Regulation 5.1 of the MLC, 2006**

### *Standard A5.1.3 – Maritime labour certificate and declaration of maritime labour compliance*

Move the text of the current paragraph 4 to the end of paragraph 3.

Replace the current paragraph 4 with the following:

Notwithstanding paragraph 1 of this Standard, where, after a renewal inspection completed prior to the expiry of a maritime labour certificate, the ship is found to continue to meet national laws and regulations or other measures implementing the requirements of this Convention, but a new certificate cannot immediately be issued to and made available on board that ship, the competent authority, or the recognized organization duly authorized for this purpose, may extend the validity of the certificate for a further period not exceeding five months from the expiry date of the existing certificate, and endorse the certificate accordingly. The new certificate shall be valid for a period not exceeding five years starting from the date provided for in paragraph 3 of this Standard.

### **Appendix A5-II Maritime Labour Certificate**

Add the following text to the end of the model form for the maritime labour certificate:

#### *Extension after renewal inspection (if required)*

This is to certify that, following a renewal inspection, the ship was found to continue to be in compliance with national laws and regulations or other measures implementing the requirements of this Convention, and that the present certificate is hereby extended, in accordance with paragraph 4 of Standard A5.1.3, until .....  
(not more than five months after the expiry date of the existing certificate) to allow for the new certificate to be issued to and made available on board the ship.

Completion date of the renewal inspection on which this extension is based was:

.....  
Signed:.....

(Signature of authorized official)

Place:.....

Date:.....

(Seal or stamp of the authority, as appropriate)