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**Service Update:** Launch of joint concentrated inspection campaign on MARPOL Annex VI

**Applicability:** All ship owners and operators

Today, the Maritime Authorities of the Tokyo and the Paris Memoranda of Understanding (MoU) on Port State Control has announced the launch of a joint Concentrated Inspection Campaign (CIC) on MARPOL Annex VI with a particular focus on regulation 14.

The inspection campaign will run from 1st September 2018 until 30 November 2018 with around 10,000 ships that are likely to be subjected to the CIC during this period by Tokyo and Paris MoU's.

The key objectives of CIC are to establish the level of compliance in the industry, create awareness and importance towards MARPOL Annex VI compliance for ship's crew and industry in general, and to also improve the level of compliance in an attempt to provide a level playing field.

The authorities will use a list of 11 questions to assess the machinery and corresponding compliance situation on board. If deficiencies are found, actions by the port State may vary from recording a deficiency and instructing the master to rectify it within a certain period of time, to detaining the ship until the serious deficiencies have been rectified.

It has been mentioned that the results of the campaign will be analysed and findings will be presented to the governing bodies of the MoU's for submission to the IMO. Further details on the press release and the questionnaire are available [here](#).

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