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**MERCHANT SHIPPING NOTICE Ref: 7 of 2020**

**Title: Instructions to deal with Novel Coronavirus  
(COVID-19)**

Notice to: **Ship Owners/Masters/Cargo Operators/Port Authorities/ Managers of  
Mauritian Flagged vessels/Health Authorities/Mauritius Revenue  
Authority/Shipping Agents and the whole Shipping Community**

*The objective of this Merchant Shipping Notice is to transmit the list of recommendations of the International Maritime Organization (IMO) to facilitate and ensure that shipping services, so vital with the Covid-19 situation remains available so as to serve humanity.*

1. Further to Merchant Shipping Notices No's 1- 6 of 2020, this Ministry is continuously monitoring the situation with the shipping community and the International Maritime Organisation (IMO) and the World Health Organisation (WHO) on issues directly related to seafarers.
2. In this respect and by way of this Merchant Shipping Notice No. 7 of 2020, this Ministry is bringing to the knowledge of all those concerned of IMO's latest Circular letter No.4204/Add.6.

Circular Letter No. 4204/Add.6 is on "*Preliminary list of recommendations for Governments and relevant national authorities on the facilitation of maritime Trade*" during the COVID-19 pandemic.

3. The above mentioned Circular Letter is attached herewith with this Merchant Shipping Notice.

4. The Shipping community is invited to take note of the contents of this document and to make maximum use of the guidance given.

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