



STCW ADVISORY NO. 2020- 05

**TO : ALL SEAFARERS, ACCREDITED ASSESSMENT CENTERS, AND
OTHER MARITIME INDUSTRY STAKEHOLDERS CONCERNED**

**SUBJECT : CANCELLATION OF THE CONDUCT OF PRACTICAL
ASSESSMENT OF SEAFARERS AMIDST COVID-19 THREAT**

In view of the Presidential Proclamation No. 922 declaring a State of Public Health Emergency throughout the Philippines due to COVID-19 threat, notice is hereby given that starting **13 March 2020**, the conduct of **practical assessment** of the accredited Assessment Centers in all level of responsibility are hereby **cancelled** until further notice amidst the increase of confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the Philippines.

This is to support the government's effort to contain and prevent further transmission of the COVID-19 and ensure the safety and well-being of our seafarers and accredited Assessment Centers personnel.

Consequently, all accredited Assessment Centers shall make necessary adjustments on the schedule of conduct of practical assessments.

For the guidance of all concerned.

12th March 2020, Manila, Philippines.


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