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RULES TO GOVERN THE INSTALLATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF AUTOMATIC IDENTIFICATION SYSTEMS (AIS) OF PASSENGER SHIPS 300GT AND ABOVE AND CARGO SHIPS 500GT AND ABOVE

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Pursuant to Presidential Decree No. 474, Executive Order Nos. 125/125A as amended, and RA 9295 and its Revised Implementing Rules and Regulations (R-IRR) and IMO Resolution MSC.74(69), Chapter V, Regulation 19 of the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS) 1974, the following rules are hereby prescribed:

I. OBJECTIVES

1. To foster the safe operation of Philippine-registered ships;
2. To further enhance the safety of life and property at sea, and the protection of the marine environment;
3. To prescribe the rules and regulations to implement the AIS on domestic ship.
4. To promote safe navigation through timely exchange of relevant data ship to ship.

II. COVERAGE

This Circular shall cover passenger ships of 300GT and above and cargo ships of 500GT and above.

III. DEFINITIONS

For purposes of this Circular, the following terms are hereby defined:

1. **Administration** refers to me Maritime industry Authority (MARINA).
2. **Automatic Identification System (AIS)** refers to an automatic tracking system used on ships and by vessel traffic services (VTS) for identifying and locating vessels by electronically exchanging data with other nearby ships, AIS base stations, and satellites.
3. **Company** refers to the owner of the ship or any organization or person such as the manager, or the bareboat charterer, who has assumed responsibility for the operation of the ship from the ship owner and who on assuming such