



## **Container Ship Safety Forum Press Release 03-2016**

### **CSSF feels positive about new SOLAS amendments in force and upcoming Concentrated Inspection Campaigns by Port State Controls**

**Hamburg, 23 August 2016.** The Container Ship Safety Forum strongly welcomes the new requirements of SOLAS relating to the verification of the gross mass (VGM) of packed containers, in force since 1 July 2016. Furthermore, CSSF fully supports the upcoming Concentrated Inspection Campaigns (CIC) on Cargo Securing Arrangements by several Port State Control Regimes starting in Septembers this year.

Both, the new regulation (SOLAS VI/2.4 – VI/2.6) as well as the CICs are enhancing safety in container shipping, which is also the main aim and mission of the CSSF.

About CSSF:

Launched in 2014, the Container Ship Safety Forum (CSSF) is a global business-to-business network aiming to improve safety performance and management practices in the container shipping industry. In order to achieve this, CSSF members collaborate through measurement, reporting and benchmarking as well as sharing best practices and engaging with industry stakeholders.

As of January 2016 the CSSF represents one third of the TEU Capacity of the global container ship fleet.

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