



The Bahamas
Maritime Authority

To: Ana Kusovac ,
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19 May 2010

Undertaking between The Government of the Commonwealth of The Bahamas and the Government of Montenegro concerning the Recognition of Certificates under Regulation I/10 of the 1978 STCW Convention, as amended (our ref: stw/ra/montenegro/100519)

Dear Ms. Kusovac,

We refer to the above agreement.

Please find enclosed a signed copy the agreement and please accept my apologies for the delay in submission.

Regards,

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Memorandum of understanding

**on the recognition of certificates of
competency and training of
seafarers**

between

**the Government of Montenegro, as
represented by the Ministry of
Transport, Maritime Affairs and
Telecommunications**

and

**the Government of the
Commonwealth of the Bahamas as
represented by the Bahamas
Maritime Authority**



Article 1

This Memorandum is made pursuant to paragraph 1.2 of Regulation I/10 of the International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for seafarers, 1978, as amended, (the STCW Convention) and Section A-I/10 of the STCW Code, between the Ministry of transport, maritime affairs and telecommunications, representing the Government of Montenegro and The Bahamas Maritime Authority representing the Government of the Commonwealth of The Bahamas.

Article 2

It is agreed that The Bahamas Maritime Authority shall recognise the certificates of competency issued by the Government of Montenegro, under the STCW Convention as amended in accordance with Regulation I/10 of the said Convention subject to the terms and conditions of this Memorandum.

Article 3

All communications arising from this Memorandum shall be made to the persons named below:

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Ministry of transport, maritime affairs and telecommunications of Montenegro and The Bahamas Maritime Authority agree to give prompt notification of any changes in the above particulars.

Article 4

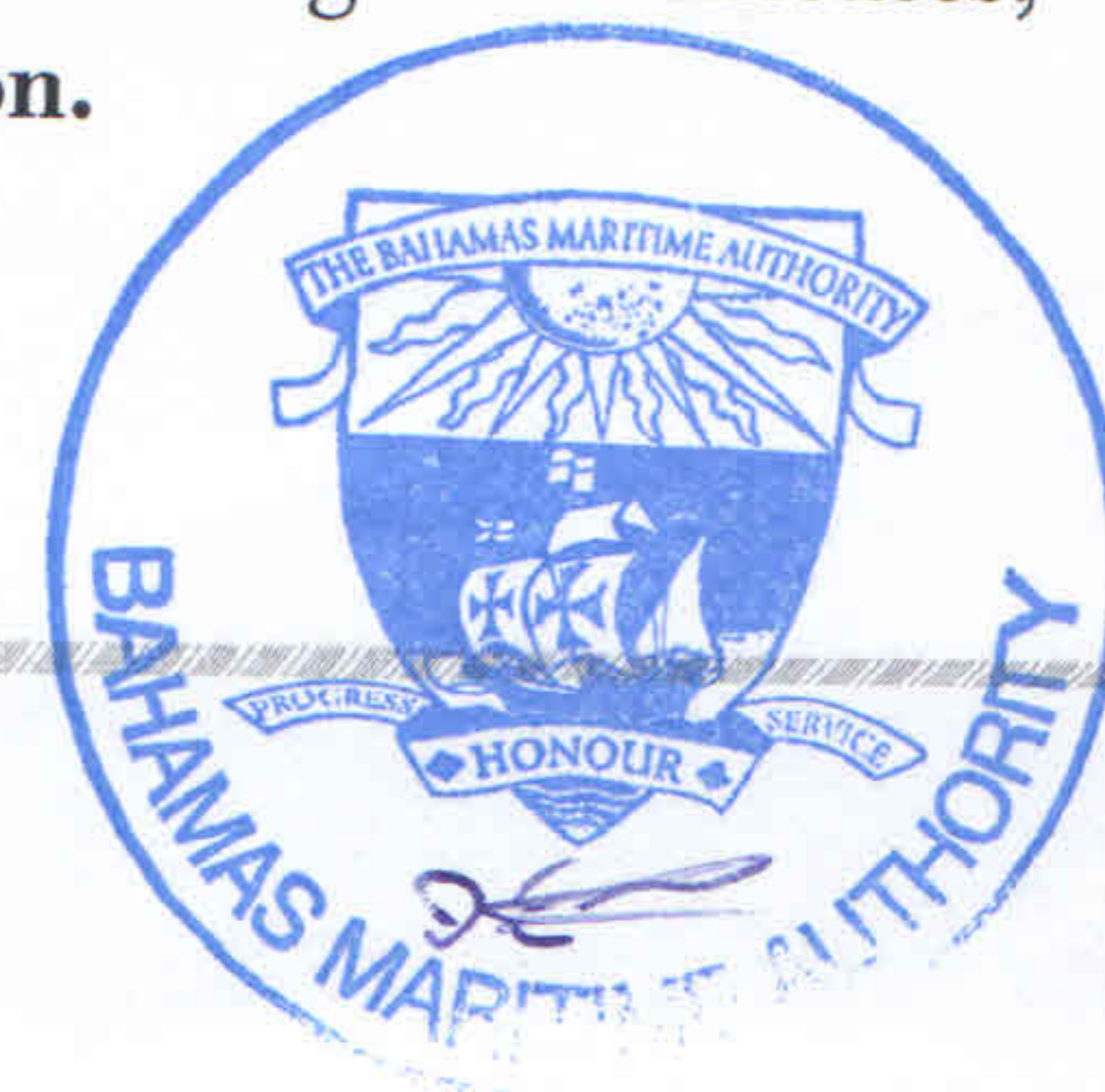
Ministry of transport, maritime affairs and telecommunications of Montenegro agrees to:

- (a) provide The Bahamas Maritime Authority with details of the arrangements for the training and certification of seafarers in Montenegro, as requested;**
- (b) notify The Bahamas Maritime Authority within ninety (90) days of any significant change in the arrangements for training and certification of seafarers in Montenegro.**
- (c) make available for inspection its approved training courses, facilities and procedures by The Bahamas Maritime Authority;**
- (d) provide within 5 working days confirmation of the status and validity of any certificate of competency issued by it whenever The Bahamas Maritime Authority requests such information.**
- (e) provide details of the quality standards evaluations conducted in accordance with Regulation I/8 of the STCW Convention, on request.**

Article 5

The Bahamas Maritime Authority agrees to:

- (a) provide the Ministry of transport, maritime affairs and telecommunications of Montenegro with the procedures to be followed in issuing an endorsement attesting the recognition of certificates; including that for the suspension or cancellation of any endorsement of recognition for disciplinary reasons;**
- (b) provide the Ministry of transport, maritime affairs and telecommunications of Montenegro with the details of Bahamian maritime legislation as required in accordance with paragraph 2 of Regulation I/10 of the STCW Convention; and**
- (c) promptly advise the Ministry of transport, maritime affairs and telecommunications of Montenegro of the cancellation or suspension of any endorsement attesting the recognition of the Montenegrin certificates, or the refusal to issue any endorsement of recognition.**



Article 6

The present Memorandum shall enter into force on the date on which it had been signed by both Parties.

Article 7

This Memorandum is valid for period of five (5) years.

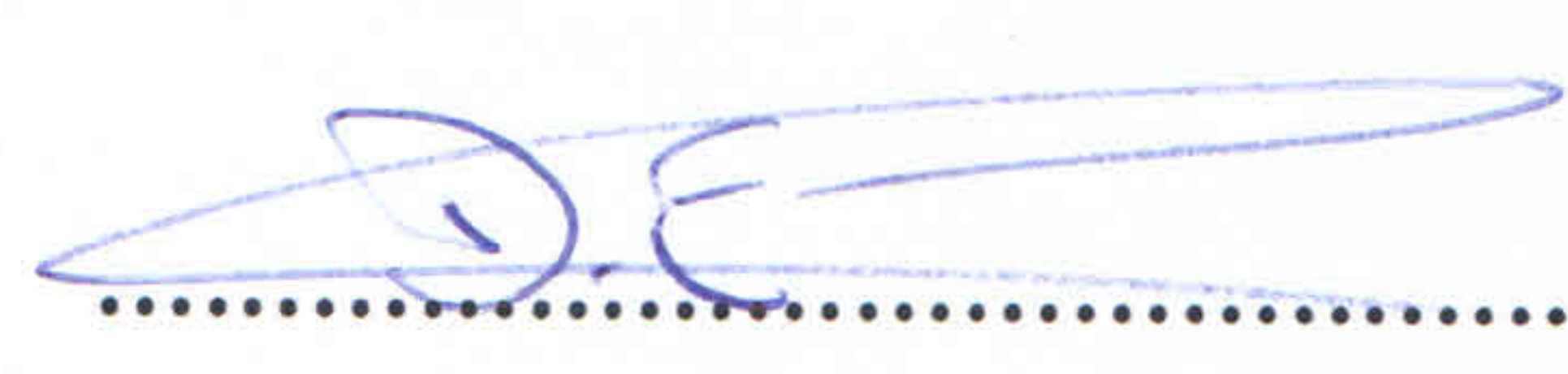
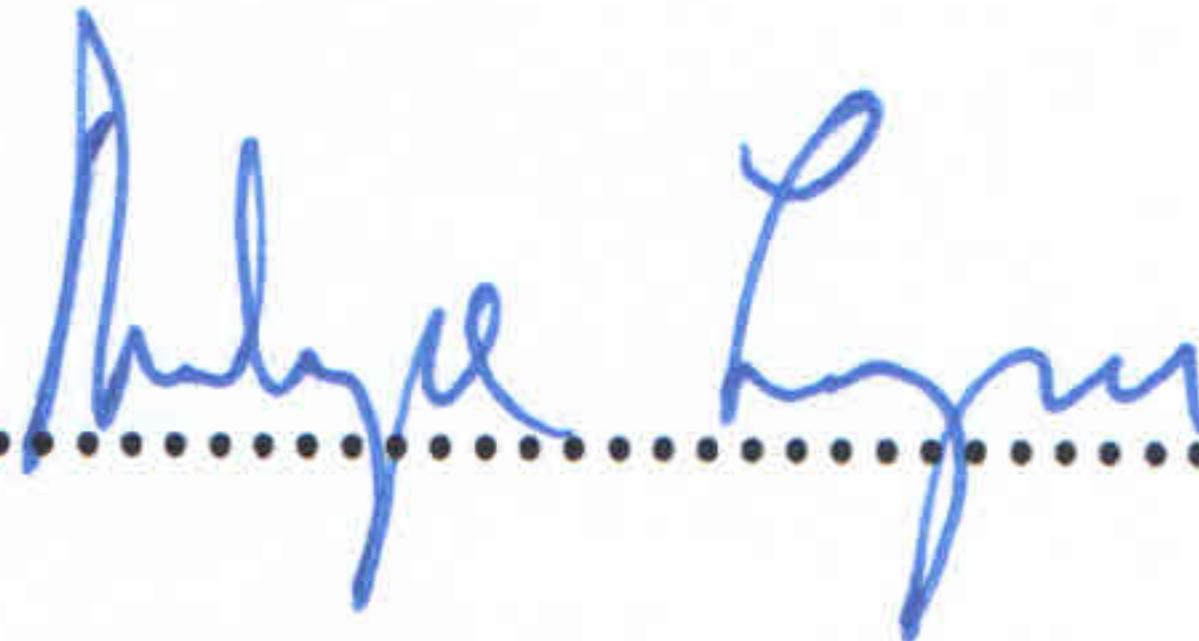
Unless a notice of termination has been given by either party, the Memorandum shall be automatically extended for successive periods of five (5) years with each Party reserving the right to terminate the Memorandum upon at least twelve (12) months notice.

Article 8

This Memorandum may be terminated by The Bahamas Maritime Authority without notice if at any time the Government of Montenegro renounces the STCW Convention or fails to implement any amendment thereto.

Article 9

Done in _____ this day of 2010. in two originals in Montenegrin and English language , all texts being equally authentic. In the event of any difference in the interpretation, the English text shall prevail.



**MINISTER OF THE MINISTRY OF
TRANSPORT, MARITIME AFFAIRS
AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS
OF MONTENEGRO**

**DEPUTY DIRECTOR
BAHAMAS MARITIME AUTHORITY**

Dated this 15..... day of FEBRUARY 2010

Dated this 04..... day of MAY 2010

