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Maritime Security

All U.S. flag vessels operating in Activities Europe's area of responsibility, Europe, Africa and the Middle East, are required to follow the requirements of 33 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 101. As per 33 CFR 101.405 (2)(b), each owner or operator of a vessel to whom a Maritime Security (MARSEC) Directive applies is required to comply with the relevant instructions contained in the MARSEC Directive.

The majority of U.S. vessels in Activities Europe's area of responsibility operate in High Risk Waters and are thus subject to the requirements of MARSEC Directive 104-6 (series) Guidelines for U.S. Vessels Operating in High Risk Waters. Anyone seeking to substitute a MARSEC Directive 104-6 (series) security requirement with an equivalent measure must contact the Marine Safety Center (MSC) at (202) 475-3445 or e-mail securityplaninfo@uscg.mil. Anyone seeking a waiver from the MARSEC Directive 104-6 (series) requirements, even for a one-time exception, must contact the Vessel Security Program Manager (CG-543) at (202) 372-1038 or e-mail CG543@uscg.mil. Please note that neither Activities Europe nor the U.S. Maritime Liaison Officer (MARLO) may grant waivers from MARSEC Directive 104-6 (series) requirements.

Any owner or operator of a vessel required to comply with MARSEC Directive 104-6 (series) shall, without delay, report suspicious activities, breaches of security and transport security incidents to the National Response Center at (800) 424-8802. Commanding Officer Activities Europe requests that the owner or operator also notify Activities Europe at the above number or e-mail address.

For additional information or clarification regarding this Marine Safety Bulletin, please contact Activities Europe Senior Investigating Officer at the above number or address.

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