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**SUBJECT:**  
**PMA CIRCULAR MMC-201**  
**CORRECTION OF DEFICIENCIES FOUND IN ASI INSPECTIONS**

TO: INSB AUDITORS/MANAGING COMPANIES

**CORRECTION OF DEFICIENCIES FOUND IN ASI INSPECTIONS**

Panama Maritime Authority has revised the Circular **MMC-201** regarding correction of deficiencies raised during Annual Safety Inspection (ASI) on vessel.

- Master, DPA, Owner/operator are **required to report the correction of deficiencies raised during annual safety inspection** within 30 days of inspection to Flag State Section at [marsegur@amp.gob.pa](mailto:marsegur@amp.gob.pa).
- **Procedure of reporting to flag state is to be included in vessel's ISM manual** and review of same to be carried out during initial, intermediate, renewal and additional verification of SMC audit.
- In case of deficiency not duly closed by administration or corrections of deficiency have not been provided to flag state within 30 days; a **finding is to be recorded in audit report**.
- The correction of the deficiencies shall be sent **using the format "Monitoring and Correction of Deficiencies Reports"** - [Form \(F-IASI-01-01\)](#).

[Attachment](#)

PMA Circular – MMC 201 Correction of Deficiencies found in ASI Inspections

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**To: Owners/Operators, Legal Representatives, DPA, and Masters of Panamanian Flagged Vessels and Recognized Organizations.**

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**Subject: Correction of Deficiencies found in ASI Inspections**

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**Reference: Law N°. 39, 1976 Decree-Law No. 56, October 08, 1976.**

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1. In order to improve the exchange of information regarding Annual Safety Inspections (ASI) to Panamanian Flagged vessels, this Administration requires to all DPA, Masters, Owners/Operators to report to our Flag State Section the corrections of deficiencies raised due to an Annual Safety Inspections within the next 30 days, as it is stated on the ASI Form, Page 8 to the following email address: [marsegur@amp.gob.pa](mailto:marsegur@amp.gob.pa).
2. This procedure shall be included in the vessel's ISM manual. The certification process relevant to a Safety Management Certificate to a ship in the following steps: initial verification, intermediate verification, renewal verification and additional verification shall include a review of the status of the last flag state inspection. In case there is a deficiency or deficiencies not duly closed by this Administration or corrections of deficiencies have not been provided to this office ([marsegur@amp.gob.pa](mailto:marsegur@amp.gob.pa)) in the period established (30 days) this must be recorded as a finding in the audit report.
3. The actions taken by the operators/owners to correct the deficiencies found during Annual Safety Inspection, inspections must be send, duly documented (pictures, class or recognized organization survey report, certificate, certificate of maintenance, invoice, documents showing the correction done as supporting evidence depending the type or class of deficiency ) as soon as possible to [marsegur@amp.gob.pa](mailto:marsegur@amp.gob.pa).
4. Please be advised that the correction of deficiencies shall be sent by the Masters, Operators/Owners using the format in appendix I of this Merchant Marine Circular: "Monitoring and Correction of Deficiencies Reports" Form (F-IASI-01-01).
5. In case that the inspector does not report any deficiency during the flag state inspection is not compulsory for the DPA or contact person send the monitoring and correction form F-IASI-01-01 to [marsegur@amp.gob.pa](mailto:marsegur@amp.gob.pa), but if the DPA or contact person send of mentioned form to [marsegur@amp.gob.pa](mailto:marsegur@amp.gob.pa) always will be well received by this administration.

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6. The contact details of this section are as follows:  
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