

Technical Notice

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SUBJECT:

Special campaign in China on illegal enclosed space entry

The campaign began on **15 January** and is intended to run until **14 October 2025**. The campaign appears to target areas such as:

The special campaign action plan provides an inspection checklist with the following contents:

- Are **crew members** responsible for **enclosed spaces** entry **aware** of the associated **risks**?
- Are **measures** in place to control visitors' and crew members' entering into enclosed spaces?
- Is there a complete list of enclosed spaces?
- Are the enclosed spaces **marked** and for authorized personnel only?
- Are the **atmosphere** testing **devices** regularly checked and calibrated?
- Are the emergency rescue **equipment** for enclosed spaces entry in **good condition**?
- Are the personnel familiar with the safe entry and **risk assessment** procedures for enclosed spaces?
- Are the personnel **familiar** with the operation of safety **protective equipment** and devices?
- Is the **enclosed spaces entry** and **rescue drill** in accordance with SOLAS Chapter III, Regulation 19.3.3?
- Is the **SMS** related to enclosed spaces operations effectively **implemented** on board?

All ships entering Chinese ports regardless of nationality **are subject to this campaign**.

Ship **operators** must ensure that their **crew** is **fully briefed on the campaign** and that the ship's safety management system adheres strictly to the relevant guidelines.

Crews should also conduct **internal self-inspections** based on the prescribed checklist.