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Dr S Cojocaru, President Romanian Nautical College Legal: 2 bis, Sos.Chitila Padure, Mogosoaia, Ilfov, Romania Operational: 90A Dezrobirii Str., Constanta, Romania

Dear Dr Cojocaru,

This letter confirms our joint partnership to provide professional maritime training to seafarers wishing to obtain certification to the UK standard approved by the Maritime and Coastguard Agency (MCA).

Two training schemes have been approved by the MCA: namely for Deck Officers for the international STCW standard of II/1 and for Engineering Officers for the international STCW standard of III/1. During the delivery and assessment of the operational level training, successful graduates will also gain exemptions from elements of their management level training.

Deck officer training

Year 1 (at RNC) Basic Safety Training and delivery of all academic units within the Higher

National Diploma (HND) award for Nautical Science year 1 units

Year 2 (at STC) Delivery and assessment of HND Year 2 units and preparation for sea service

Year 3 (at sea) Completion of fifteen (15) months sea service

Year 4 (at STC) Completion of advanced STCW courses at approved MCA centre

Completion of NAEST - O, Efficient Deckhand and Signals examination

Completion of SQA MCA OOW examinations

Completion of MCA oral

Issue of MCA (UK) certificate of competency

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Engineering officer training

Year 1 (at RNC) Basic Safety Training and delivery of all academic units within the Higher

National Diploma (HND) award for Marine Engineering year 1 units

Year 2 (at STC) Delivery and assessment of HND Year 2 units and preparation for sea service

Year 3 (at sea) Completion of twelve (12) months sea service

Year 4 (at STC) Completion of advanced STCW courses at approved MCA centre

Completion of IAMI EOOW examinations

Completion of MCA oral

Issue of MCA (UK) certificate of competency

South Tyneside College is recognised by the MCA as an approved training provider https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment data/file/472589/Nautical

Colleges and Yacht Training providers.pdf

In addition, South Tyneside College holds external approval from Ofsted and QAA as part of the UK Government audit of training providers, as well as holding UK Immigration (UKVI) approval to issue Tier 4 study visas for non-EU students studying in the UK.

https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/552008/2016-09-09_Tier_4_Register_of_Sponsors.pdf

For further details of this partnership can be referred to the undersigned.

Yours sincerely

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