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Dear Mr Kinley

**Re: Request for Extension of Public Consultation Period: July 2013 Consultation-Draft MO 3 (issue 7)**

Yesterday we held our regular monthly membership meetings around Australia and many members reported to us that the first knowledge that they had of the existence of AMSA's 26 July 2013 Consultation-Draft MO 3 (issue 7) was from the 'Stop Press' on their 'On Watch' magazine which many of them are only now receiving.

In particular those who are at sea, normally for a swing of 6 or more weeks at a time, are largely unaware that AMSA has put the draft on it's website for consultation.

Potentially this is half the industry.

Once they become aware the Draft is no easy read; it's 77 pages are written in an entirely different style/format to the current MO3(6) and so it reasonably takes several weeks to compare the two documents to get a grasp of the changes.

In all of these circumstances, on their behalf, AIMPE requests that a further Consultation-period of 4 weeks be advertised by AMSA in order to give seafarers time to read the Draft and make a response.

sincerely

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