Crewing Bulletin

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All Crewmembers

PROHIBITED ITEMS IN CAIRO AIRPORT

CAIRO AIRPORT CUSTOMS REGULATIONS

The Customs Department of Cairo Airport does not allow certain items to be carried as personal belongings. If found among crewmembers' belongings, the said items will be confiscated.

The prohibited items include:

- VHF
- Tactical vests
- Holsters
- Spare parts
- Walkie-talkie
- Handcuffs
- Security equipment
- Digital camera with GPS option
- Large quantity of medical products
- Sharp equipment or knives
- Satellite phone
- Laser pen
- Any equipment that has electric circuit

Filipino Crew

ROTATION PLANNING

The target vacation time for all positions is three (3) months. But because we are manning less vessels these days, the average vacation time for most positions is currently at four to five (4-5) months.

Fortunately, with the takeover of the Sinochem ships, we are expecting the onshore/onboard time of our crew to slowly get back to its ideal state.

Now that we have less vessels to man, we are doing our best to distribute the burden of having longer vacation equally among individuals. However, it must be mentioned that the rotation of MLOs and critical positions of some vessels with fixed rotation are not directly affected by this.

There are also some crewmembers who had been on prolonged vacation due to:

- Personal request / Availability
- OLC/MLC training, review and exams
- Problems with pre-employment medical examination
- Post-medical problems
- Issues on Performance Evaluation (i.e., Below Average, Attitude, etc.)