ACTION PLAN FOR THE INTERNATIONAL ROLLOUT OF THE CHARTERED MASTER MARINER PROGRAMME

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1. Overview and Management

As agreed at the latest Service Level Agreement (SLA) Meeting, between the Honourable Company of Master Mariners (HCMM) and the Nautical Institute (NI), during this year of 2019 the Chartered Master Mariner (CMMar) Award will become available to non-UK nationals.

This decision has coincided with plans to promote the CMMar scheme at the presentation of the award to NI’s President during the NI’s International AGM in Hong Kong in June 2019.

At the most recent Registration Authority meeting in April 2019, it was decided that an Action Plan should be prepared and implemented to ensure a consistent approach when publicising, promoting and advertising the international rollout.

The RA is particularly conscious of the need to manage the flow of applicants in such a way as to avoid being swamped by new candidates and thus damaging the reputation of the Scheme by failing to meet the expectations of interested parties. Accordingly, it was agreed that a geographically phased approach to roll-out should be taken.

2. Phase One

At the SLA Meeting in March 2019, the first six destinations were selected.

The six destinations are:

- Australia
- Canada
- Hong Kong
- New Zealand
- Singapore
- United States of America.
This phase will be officially launched and will go LIVE from July 2019. The length of this phase will be reviewed at the next SLA meeting in October 2019. However, the current plan is to conduct this phase through the remainder of this financial year, until March 2020. Although it is not the intention to advertise the Scheme’s availability for European candidates until later, if during this phase expressions of interest are made by European applicants, these will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis and may be accepted early, but only if there are spaces within the application streams.

3. Phase Two

If, after a review, it is demonstrated that Phase One has been successful with a manageable workload, then the next phase would start in April 2020.

The next destination for rollout will be:

- Europe.

4. Phase Three

After a further review, if it is clear that Phase Two has been successful, then the next phase would start in April 2021. However, depending on progress with Europe and ongoing work with Phase One countries, this phase could be delayed.

The next destinations for this roll out are:

- The Commonwealth of Nations.
5. Phase Four

Plans to initiate Phase Four, the final phrase of enrolment, are heavily dependent on numerous factors in assessing its viability in relation to the demand vis-à-vis the facilities of the HCMM and NI to manage.

However, an outline plan for the final rollout, would be for it to begin in April of either 2022 or 2023.

The destinations are as follows:

- Rest of the world.

However, if lessons from the earlier phases have shown that capacity management issues dictate an extended implementation, then that phase could then be broken down even further, for example, selecting Latin America as a separate development phase.
6. Summary

The initial plan will comprise of four phases with the international rollout of CMMar as follows:

- JULY 2019 – **PHASE ONE** – Australia, Canada, Hong Kong, New Zealand, Singapore and the United States of America.
- APRIL 2020 – **PHASE TWO** – Europe.
- APRIL 2022/23 – **PHASE FOUR** – Rest of the world.
Annex A – CMMar Annual Application Cycle

Stage 1
Application submitted to NI
Submitted throughout the year

Stage 2
NI’s Verifications Committee Dates
August
November
February
May

Stage 3
Review by RA/PRI Dates
Last week of September till the first week of October
Last week of June till the first week of July
Last week of March
Third and fourth weeks of March
Second week of January
First two weeks of December
First week of November

Stage 4
Registration Authority Dates
Third week of October
Fourth week of January
Second week of April
Third week of July

Stage 5
Court of HCMM Dates
Last week of October
First week of February
Last week of April
Last week of July

Stage 6
Annual CMMar Award Ceremony
First Friday of September

Registration Fee Payment of £225.00
If successful, applicants will have to pay their registration fee to gain their Chartership.

Initial Application Fee Payment of £200.00
This is due upon submission of an application.