Order on food in Danish ships¹

The following shall be laid down pursuant to section 55(1), section 65(1) and section 70(1) of the act on seafarers' conditions of employment, etc. (*lov om søfarendes ansættelsesforhold m.v.*), cf. consolidated act no. 742 of 18 July 2005, as amended by act no. 493 of 12 May 2010 and act no. 251 of 30 March 2011 and by authority:

- **Section 1.** This order shall apply to Danish merchant ships. A merchant ship shall mean any ship, irrespective of type and trade area, except for fishing vessels and recreational craft.
- **Section 2.** The food in Danish ships shall be composed in such a way that the necessary content of proteins, fat and carbohydrates as well as of vitamins, minerals and salts has been taken into consideration.
 - Subsection 2. The food shall be as diversified as possible and appear appetizing.
 - Subsection 3. The composition of the food shall be adjusted according to climatic conditions.
- Subsection 4. Fresh food products shall be used to as wide an extent as possible. Frozen food products may in this context be comparable with fresh food products.
 - Subsection 5. The food shall be prepared and served in proper hygienic environments.
- **Section 3.** The drinking water on board Danish ships shall be of a sufficient quality and accessible in sufficient quantities in relation to the size of the crew on board.
- **Section 4.** The food shall consist of three main meals and one or more snack meals. The food shall be offered in such amounts that all persons on board have enough to eat.
- **Section 5.** The composition of the food shall be adjusted in accordance with the religious beliefs and cultural background of the seafarers.
 - **Section 6.** The food on board shall be free of charge to seafarers during their service period.
- Subsection 2. The parties may agree that the right to free food can be met through the payment of a compensating amount of money for food.
 - **Section 7.** The master shall be obliged to ensure that the provisions of this order are met.
- **Section 8.** Contraventions of section 2(1) and (5), section 3, section 4 and section 6 shall be liable to punishment by fine or imprisonment for a term not exceeding one year.
- *Subsection 2.* Companies, etc. (legal persons) may incur criminal liability pursuant to the provisions of chapter 5 of the penal code (*straffeloven*).
- Subsection 3. When determining criminal liability pursuant to subsection 2, persons employed to carry out work on board the ship by others than the shipowner shall also be considered as being associated with the

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shipowner. If a document of compliance has been issued pursuant to the International Safety Management Code or a certificate has been issued pursuant to the Maritime Labour Convention to another organisation or person, the master as well as the seafarers shall be considered to be associated with the one to whom the document has been issued.

Section 9. This order shall enter into force on 20 August 2013.

Subsection 2. At the same time, order no. 547 of 18 June 2004 on board in Danish ships shall be repealed.

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