

House Standing Committee on Infrastructure and Communications

Joint Standing Committee on Treaties

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Topic: Chinese flagged ships – MARPOL compliance

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Mr Kelvin Thomson asked:

Are Chinese flagged ships generally compliant with MARPOL in general and regulation 43 in particular?

Answer: (Australian Maritime Safety Authority)

During 2014-15, the Australian Maritime Safety Authority (AMSA) inspected 96 Chinese flagged ships which resulted in one MARPOL deficiency. This deficiency related to regulation 13.6 (key personnel were unable to demonstrate a test of 15ppm alarm on oily water separator unit).

No deficiencies relating to regulation 43 were identified by AMSA port State control officers during this period.