CIRCULAR LETTER  
No. 381-26-1256c dated 26.08.2019

Re: amendments to the Rules for the Classification and Construction of Manned Submersibles and Ship's Diving Systems, 2018, ND No. 2-020201-014-E

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Text of CL:
We hereby inform that the Rules for the Classification and Construction of Manned Submersibles and Ship's Diving Systems shall be amended as specified in the Appendices to the Circular Letter. The above amendments will be introduced into the Rules at their re-publication.

It is necessary to do the following:
1. Familiarize the RS surveyors with the content of the Circular Letter.
3. Clarify the provisions of the Circular Letter to all interested parties in the area of the RS Branch Offices' activity.

List of the amended and/or introduced paras/chapters/sections:
Part III: para 14.1

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PART III. EQUIPMENT, ARRANGEMENTS AND OUTFIT

14 PRODUCTION MODULES OF SHIP’S DIVING SYSTEMS AND MANNED SUBMERSIBLES

Para 14.1 is replaced by the following text:

"14.1 Design type of a container used as production module to accommodate components of manned submersibles, ship's diving systems and their mechanisms, tools, spares, etc. on the carrier ship shall comply with all applicable requirements considering its functional purpose as a modular element of manned submersibles and ship's diving systems. When a container production module is installed on the carrier ship, such module shall be considered by the Register as ship's space of a corresponding category, depending on its location onboard, and it shall not be considered as a product listed in the Nomenclature of Items of the Register Technical Supervision. The requirements of Part VII "Offshore Containers" of the Rules for the Manufacture of Containers may also be applied to such product in case the specified container is considered as offshore, i.e. handled in open seas.".