

MARITIME AND PORT AUTHORITY OF SINGAPORE

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Shipping Community Harbour Craft Community

JOHOR BAHRU PORT LIMITS

The Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore (MPA) would like to draw the attention of ship masters and owners of vessels to the Federal Government Gazette P.U. (B) 587 "*Declaration of Alteration of Port Limits for Johore Bahru Port*" published on 25 October 2018 (the "Gazette Notification") by the Attorney General's Chambers of Malaysia, Port Circular No. 88/2018 dated 11 November 2018, issued by the Director of Marine, Marine Department Malaysia, Southern Region ("PC 88/2018"), and Notice to Mariners No. 164/2018 dated 22 November 2018, issued by the Director General, Marine Department Malaysia ("NtM 164/2018").

2 The Gazette Notification, PC 88/2018 and NtM 164/2018 purport to extend the port limits for Malaysia's Johor Bahru Port in a manner which encroaches into Singapore's territorial waters and the approaches to the Port of Singapore off Tuas. Accordingly, MPA does not recognise the port limits published in the Gazette Notification, PC 88/2018 and NtM 164/2018. Ship masters and owners of vessels should therefore disregard the Gazette Notification, PC 88/2018 and NtM 164/2018 which impinge on Singapore's sovereignty.

3 MPA would also like to remind ship masters and owners of vessels that Singapore's territorial waters extend westward of Singapore's current port limits around Tuas and vessels operating in this area are to continue to comply with applicable Singapore regulations. 4 For any enquiry, please contact us at pocc@mpa.gov.sg.

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