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U.S. Coast Guard Announces a Memorandum of Understanding with Transport Canada for Implementation of the Maritime Labour Convention, 2006

The U.S. Coast Guard and Transport Canada announced today the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with respect to the implementation of the Maritime Labour Convention, 2006 (MLC).

This MOU is intended to facilitate efficient maritime trade between the United States and Canada, and to reduce administrative burdens on vessels that may call upon their ports. It's further intended to promote seafarer and public confidence that the living and working conditions aboard United States and Canadian vessels will continue to meet and exceed applicable standards. Both organizations recognize that each has responsibility for the management of marine safety and inspection programs, including the inspection of vessels to verify that the working and living conditions aboard the United States and Canadian vessels meet all applicable standards.

A copy of the MOU can be viewed at the Maritime Labour Convention, 2006 page on the Coast Guard's Homeport website (<https://homeport.uscg.mil/>) under the Domestic Vessels-Domestic Vessel General tab.

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