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## MEMORANDUM

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To: CG SECTOR MARYLAND-NCR  
Thru: CGD FIVE (DXC)

Subj: APPROVAL OF THE MARINE TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM RECOVERY PLAN

Ref (a) Maritime Transportation Security Act (MTSA) of 2002  
(b) Security and Accountability for Every Port Act (SAFE Port Act) of 2006  
(c) Marine Transportation System Recovery Planning and Operations, COMDTINST 16000.28B  
(d) Guidelines for Drafting the Marine Transportation System Recovery Plan, NVIC 04-18

1. Congratulations. Upon final review, we have determined that Sector Maryland-National Capital Region's Marine Transportation System Recovery Plan (MTSRP) complies with references (a) through (d) and is approved. I commend your efforts in completing this formal update. This plan along with your annual Common Assessment & Reporting Tool (CART) validation significantly enhances your preparedness posture to respond and manage MTS recovery incidents occurring in your ports and port areas.
2. As you know, the effectiveness of this plan is dependent on continued teamwork with your port stakeholders. I encourage you as the Captain of the Port to maintain a focus on the MTSRP and to evaluate it annually for adequacy, accuracy, consistency, and completeness, and incorporate changes based on policy, lessons learned, and changes to port operations. Annual validation of the MTSRP should be completed prior to the initial planning phase of the MTS Recovery exercise outlined in Enclosure (2) to reference (d).
3. Please post a current version of your approved MTSRP including all appendices, annexes, and tabs to your specific Homeport Port Directory site.

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