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PRODUCTION DEFECT ON HYUNDAI LIFEBOATS 'TALON II 4.0' ON LOAD RELEASE MECHANISM (OLRM) ASSEMBLY

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*Notice to Shipowners, Ship Operators, Managers, Masters,
Owners' Representatives and Recognised Organisations*

The Directorate would like to draw the attention of all concerned to the statutory alert issued by Lloyds Register in Class News No.32/2016, concerning a production defect with the Hyundai Lifeboats 'TALON II 4.0' on load release mechanism (OLRM) assembly.

The defect is mainly related to the colour-coded markings on the hydrostatic interlock indicator. The mechanism is designed so the hydrostatic interlock indicator shows green when the lifeboat is outside the water and red when it is in the water. In this case, some Hyundai Lifeboats' 'TALON II 4.0' OLRM assembly were produced with switched colour-coded markings, potentially putting the lifeboat at risk. It was also discovered that the instructions posted in the lifeboats were inadequate, and that the training manuals included black and white diagrams of the hydrostatic interlock indicator.

To this effect, it is recommended that shipowners and operators check the installation of the lifeboat OLRM along with the original manufacturer's manual, in order to ensure that the operational markings are correct, and that the associated instructions and training material are satisfactory, regardless of the make and model. This should be done at the earliest opportunity to avoid the risk of unsafe operations. Any fault should be reported to the original equipment manufacturer to seek their advice.

A full electronic version of the above mentioned alert may be accessed through;
<http://info.lr.org/l/12702/2016-09-13/35jsmm>

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