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## **Bulletin 313 - 07/03 - New Requirements for Confirmation of Club Cover - Mumbai - India**

We have been advised that from the 31<sup>st</sup> July 2003 all applications to enter Mumbai port must be accompanied by a valid certificate of P&I cover.

The directive from the Deputy Conservator of the Mumbai Port Trust (MPT) states: -

*“ It has come to light that through the P&I Covers being produced by vessels arriving in the port are valid for a year as shown in the certificate against the validity, the cover becomes technically invalid due to the non-payment of the premium which is paid quarterly.*

*Hence, it is required by all agents to produce a certificate from the local correspondent of the concerned P&I Club confirming the validity of the same so as to avail of the services of the Mumbai Port Trust.*

*Furthermore, no application will be received without this certificate from the 31<sup>st</sup> July 2003. Till then, the application may be received with an assurance of submitting the said certificate within a day “.*

At the time of writing it is not certain whether a standard Confirmation of Entry letter supplied by the Club to Members will satisfy the MPT's requirements. It should be stressed that the correspondents are not in a position to provide the confirmation required by the MPT and they should not be asked to do so.

We advise Members that the Secretary of the International Group of P&I Clubs is writing directly to the MPT to set out the position of the International Group. In the first instance it is hoped that a deferment of the 31<sup>st</sup> July 2003 deadline will be agreed. Members should contact the Club with any queries or concerns regarding the above.

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