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MARITIME SAFETY & SECURITY BULLETIN 12-19

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Security Zone for the July 4th Celebration on the National Mall – July 4, 2019

Notice is hereby given of the establishment of a security zone on the waters of the Potomac River, and adjacent waters, in Washington, DC, under authority in 46 U.S.C. 70034 (previously 33 U.S.C. 1231), which allows the Coast Guard to take actions, including the establishment of security zones, to prevent or respond to acts of terrorism against individuals, vessels, or public or commercial structures.

As described in Title 33 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) § 165.508, the Coast Guard will establish a security zone, encompassing certain waters of the Potomac River and adjacent waters, to safeguard high-ranking public officials during the July 4th Celebration on the National Mall in Washington, DC. The regulations in 33 CFR 165.508 will be enforced from 12:01 a.m. to 11:59 p.m. on July 4, 2019, for the zone identified in 33 CFR 165.508(a)(4). The security zone includes all navigable waters of the Georgetown Channel of the Potomac River, 75 yards from the eastern shore measured perpendicularly to the shore, between the Long Railroad Bridge (the most eastern bridge of the 5-span, Fourteenth Street Bridge Complex) to the Theodore Roosevelt Memorial Bridge; and all waters in between, totally including the waters of the Georgetown Channel Tidal Basin.

As specified in § 165.508(b), during the enforcement period, entry into or remaining in the zone is prohibited unless authorized by the Coast Guard Captain of the Port (COTP) Maryland-National Capital Region. Public vessels and vessels already at berth at the time the security zone is implemented do not have to depart the security zone. All vessels underway within the security zone are to depart the zone at the time the security zone is implemented. To seek permission to transit the zone, the designated representative can be contacted by hailing "Patrol Commander" via Marine Band Radio, VHF-FM channel 16 (156.8 MHz). Coast Guard vessels enforcing this zone can be contacted on Marine Band Radio, VHF-FM channel 16 (156.8 MHz). The Coast Guard may be assisted by other Federal, state or local law enforcement agencies in enforcing this regulation. The COTP Maryland-National Capital Region can be contacted at telephone number (410) 576-2693. If the COTP Maryland-National Capital Region or his designated representative determines the security zone need not be enforced for the full duration stated in this notice, a Broadcast Notice to Mariners may be used to suspend enforcement and grant general permission to enter the security zone.

Captain of the Port Maryland-National Capital Region means the Commander, U.S. Coast Guard Sector Maryland-National Capital Region or any Coast Guard commissioned, warrant or petty officer who has been authorized by the Captain of the Port to act on his behalf.

Designated representative means any Coast Guard commissioned, warrant, or petty officer who has been authorized by the COTP Maryland-National Capital Region to assist in enforcing the security zone described above.

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June 13, 2019

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Public vessel means a vessel that is owned or demise-(bareboat) chartered by the government of the United States, by a State or local government, or by the government of a foreign country and that is not engaged in commercial service.

Penalty: Persons or vessels violating this section may be subject to civil or criminal penalties pursuant to 46 U.S.C. 70036.

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July 4th on National Mall, Washington, DC USCG Security Zone – 33 CFR 165.508

