## WHAT TO DO IF YOU ARE A VICTIM OF A CRIME ON BOARD A SHIP

the crime scene be preserved. After any crime including sexual assault and rape, it is very important that

- 1. It should be sealed off until law enforcement arrives.
- 2. Pictures should be taken of the entire scene.
- 3. Access to the scene should be limited to law enforcement personnel who know
- how to collect evidence without destroying it.
- 4. Gloves and booties should be worn.
- 5. The names, addresses and telephone numbers of each possible witness
- bath, brush teeth of go to the bathroom before a rape exam is done by a physician. 6. The sexual assault or rape victim should be instructed not to eat, drink, shower, should be obtained and statements taken.
- Photographs of the victim to show bruises, tears, etc should be done. 7. Blood samples from the victim should be immediately done.

### STEPS TO TAKE IF YOU ARE INJURED ON BOARD A SHIP

- 1. Immediately report in writing the incident to the security department on the ship.
- 2. Get a copy of your written report.
- 3. Take photographs of the scene of the incident before it changes, if possible.
- It the scene has changed, still take photographs.
- witness to the incident. 4. Write down the name, address, and telephone number of each person who is a
- 6. If necessary, go to a shore side doctor at the next port of call. 2. Go to the ship's doctor to get treatment for your injury.
- 7. Contact an experienced maritime attorney to discuss the incident as soon as possible.

# **EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION & INSTRUCTIONS FOR CRUISE PASSENGERS & SEAFARERS**



board a ship. Relying on the shipping company to do the right thing is not a good idea. Keep this card with you at all times in case of emergency or accident while you are on

#### F.B.I.: (202) 324-3000

or it you believe someone is missing from the ship. Contact the F.B.I. immediately if you have been victim of a crime on board such as rape or sexual assault,

#### United States Coast Guard: (757) 398-6390

Contact the Coast Guard if you believe someone is missing from the ship, someone has gone overboard,

or if there is a fire on board.

## Maritime Lawyers: (305) 373-3016

on board for advice on steps you should take and how to protect your rights. 24/7 tree consultation from the high seas. Call if you have been injured or it a crime has been committed

# International Seafarers Association: (242) 422-2212

Contact the ISA if a crew member is injured or needs help, or if a crew member is being mistreated. The

IZA will keep the crew members name anonymous upon request.



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