

FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

Petition of United Arab Shipping Company (S.A.G) [Petition No. P1-14] Exemption from 46 U.S.C. 40703

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The Petition from the United Arab Shipping Company (S.A.G) for an exemption from the controlled carrier provision of the Shipping Act of 1984 underscores and highlights its heritage and leadership in the maritime shipping industry.

As a progressive leader and advocate for shipping reform, then and now, the United Arab Shipping Company brings to the forefront an issue considered by the Federal Maritime Commission and a matter of continuing concern of the shipping industry.

Precedent for non-publication of tariffs would allow for tariffs to become effective immediately.

With due respect to the Chairman and Commissioners of the Federal Maritime Commission and the members of the shipping industry, precedent for an exemption to 46 U.S.C. 40703, is suggested, a matter reserved for amendment by way of legislation by the United States Congress and signed by the President of the United States.

Granted, the Federal Maritime Commission has authority to promulgate regulations and enforce regulations to effect applicable statute.

The Petition from the United Arab Shipping Company is akin to a request to the United States Supreme Court to legislate. The United States Supreme Court stare decisis is to interpret and enforce the laws of the land. The power to legislate, by the Constitution of the United States, is vested in the Legislative Branch of government - the Congress of the United States.

The Federal Maritime Commission, an independent agency, having the authority to interpret and enforce the laws of the oceans should, as the United States Supreme Court, refer this matter for appropriate legislative consideration

Thank you for the opportunity to submit my comments.

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