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Westwood Shipping Lines Inc.
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Dear Mr. Stewart:

My office has received a request for the review of several vessels owned, operated or managed by your organization in order to assess their eligibility for the Qualship 21 Program. We have completed our review and would like to congratulate Westwood Shipping Lines Inc. on the approval of your request for entry into our quality shipping program.

Further information on our Qualship 21 Program, including the eligibility criteria, can be found on our website at: <https://homeport.uscg.mil/Qualship21>. If you feel that more of your vessels meet these eligibility requirements, please submit your request utilizing the tools on the website.

You should know that less than ten percent of all foreign-flagged ships that operate in the United States meet the eligibility requirements of this program, putting your qualified vessels in an elite class. This is a remarkable accomplishment and I applaud the efforts of your organization and the master and crew of the qualified vessels for setting such a high standard of excellence.

In recognition of this superior achievement, the U.S. Coast Guard has provided a Qualship 21 certificate for your organization and one for each of your qualified vessels.

Once again, congratulations for your exceptional commitment to quality.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "M. B. Zamperini".

M. B. ZAMPERINI
Commander, U.S. Coast Guard
Chief, Foreign & Offshore Vessel Compliance Division
By direction

Encl: Qualship 21 Certificates