



Powers to require ships to be moved, seized or sunk to be exercised from today

October 05, 2021 – As of today His Mount Vema Majesty’s Government officially begins to enforce its laws in relation to immigration, merchant marine and shipping, customs and excise, sea fish, marine conservation, and all relevant laws that might affect the safety of people and property within the Mount Vema territorial waters.

Except for ships exercising the right of innocent passage, and the right of transit passage through the Mount Vema – Vema Seamount territorial waters used for international navigation, as custom by the international merchant marine industry, and as stated in section 98 of the Merchant Marine and Shipping Act, Mount Vema 2017, Order No.7 SI/MV2017/7. Made: 15th of June 2017, in accordance with the 2006 Declaration of Sovereignty, no other ship will be allowed to enter Mount Vema without the right permit.

By no other ships, the government means all ships who usually disregard the laws of Mount Vema including fishing vessels, pleasure boats, and including vessels visiting for environmental or scientific purposes. Vessels that fail to apply for the right permit to enter will be required to be moved or seized.

In case His Mount Vema Majesty’s security services are unable to exercise the right to forfeiture, or to require a vessel to be removed, or seized, an authorization may be granted to remotely sink vessels that fail to comply and therefore posing a threat to the territory, regardless of the country of registration and the flag of the ship.

