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PREAMBLE

These Rules establish, taking into account generally recognised international standards and recommendations in the field of international arbitration, the professional and ethical standards of conduct for arbitrators with a view to ensuring fair and efficient arbitral proceedings and maintaining confidence in arbitration and the standing of the Maritime Arbitration Commission at the Ukrainian Chamber of Commerce and Industry (hereinafter – the "UMAC").

ARTICLE 1. APPLICATION OF THE RULES

1. These Rules shall apply to arbitrators when resolving disputes falling within the competence of the UMAC.
2. These Rules shall apply to a person from the moment that person is approached regarding a potential appointment as an arbitrator, throughout the performance of their functions as an arbitrator, and following the conclusion of the arbitral proceedings, having regard to the content and nature of the particular standards of conduct.

ARTICLE 2. INDEPENDENCE AND IMPARTIALITY

1. An arbitrator shall be independent and impartial and shall avoid conflict of interest.

   Independence means freedom from external influence and from any relationships or interests that may affect the arbitrator's ability to exercise independent judgment. Such relationships or interests may include financial, professional, business, employment or other connections with a party to the dispute, its representative, other participants in the arbitral proceedings, or other interested persons.

   Impartiality means treating the parties, the subject matter of the dispute, and the issues arising in the

course of the arbitral proceedings without bias or prejudice.

2. Legal views previously expressed by an arbitrator shall not, in and of themselves, indicate a lack of impartialityAn arbitrator shall avoid circumstances that may give rise to justifiable doubts as to the arbitrator's independence or impartiality.
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ARTICLE 3. CONFIDENTIALITY

1. An arbitrator shall maintain the confidentiality of the arbitral proceedings unless otherwise agreed by the parties.

   The duty of confidentiality shall extend to any information obtained by the arbitrator in connection with a possible appointment, the acceptance of an appointment as arbitrator, or in the course of the arbitral proceedings, including, in particular, the case materials, the content of oral hearings, the deliberations of the arbitral tribunal, and draft decisions and awards.
2. The duty of confidentiality shall continue after the conclusion of the arbitral proceedings or the early termination of the arbitrator's mandate.
3. An arbitrator shall not use confidential information for the arbitrator's own benefit, for the benefit of any third party, or to the detriment of any party.

   An arbitrator shall take reasonable measures to prevent the disclosure of confidential information or access to such information by third parties.

   An arbitrator shall refrain from making public comments concerning arbitration cases in a manner that could result in the identification of the parties or the subject matter of the dispute, or in the disclosure of other confidential information.

ARTICLE 4. DUTY OF DISCLOSURE

1. An arbitrator shall disclose to the parties any circumstances that may give rise to justifiable doubts as to the arbitrator's independence and/or impartiality. Any doubt as to whether disclosure should be made shall be resolved in favour of disclosure.

   The making of a disclosure does not, in and of itself, imply the existence of a conflict of interest or a lack of independence and/or impartiality.

2. An arbitrator's failure to disclose particular circumstances that, in the eyes of the parties, may give rise to doubts as to the arbitrator's independence and/or impartiality does not, in and of itself, establish the existence of a conflict of interest and does not necessarily constitute grounds for challenge.
3. The duty of disclosure shall not apply where such disclosure would result in a violation of the rights of third parties or a breach of an obligation to protect confidential information or other information protected by law.

ARTICLE 5. INTEGRITY

An arbitrator shall personally and properly perform the functions entrusted to the arbitrator and shall act with integrity, fairness, competence and diligence, carefully considering all issues arising in the course of the arbitral proceedings and devoting sufficient time to their proper consideration.

ARTICLE 6. PROFESSIONAL COMMUNICATIONS

In communications with the parties, their representatives, other participants in the arbitral proceedings, other arbitrators, mediators and the UMAC Secretariat, an arbitrator shall conduct himself or herself professionally, courteously and with appropriate restraint.

An arbitrator shall refrain from improper *ex parte* communications with any party to the dispute or its representatives concerning the arbitral proceedings.

ARTICLE 7. USE OF INFORMATION, COMMUNICATION AND DIGITAL TECHNOLOGIES

An arbitrator's of use information, communication and digital technologies, including artificial intelligence tools, shall be responsible and shall comply with the requirements of confidentiality and the principle that the arbitrator must perform their functions personally.

ARTICLE 8. MAINTAINING CONFIDENCE IN ARBITRATION

An arbitrator shall act in a manner that maintains confidence in the arbitral process and upholds the standing of the UMAC.

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