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STARBULK S.A.  
Attn: Captain Ferdinand Mitra Masdo  
40, Agiou Konstantinou Street  
151 24 Maroussi  
Athens, Greece

Dear Captain Ferdinand Mitra Masdo,

On behalf of the Maritime Administrator of the Republic of the Marshall Islands, I am pleased to commend you, the Officers, and Crew of the bulk carrier STAR ANGELINA for upholding the longstanding maritime tradition of rendering assistance to those in distress at sea on the Tenth day of August, Two Thousand and Sixteen. At the request of the Maritime Rescue Coordination Center (MRCC) Piraeus, you and the Crew of STAR ANGELINA diverted course to assist a ferry in distress with 72 persons on board in the Aegean Sea approximately six nautical miles off of the northwestern coast of Kinaros Island, Greece. Once on scene, MRCC Piraeus directed STAR ANGELINA to standby in the area pending the arrival of Hellenic Coast Guard (HCG) patrol boats. Once the HCG patrol boats arrived, the individuals were safely transferred from the vessel in distress to another ship in the vicinity and STAR ANGELINA was released to continue its voyage. While no rescue actions were needed, the time spent by you and the Crew of STAR ANGELINA in diverting course to assist in the rescue is in keeping with the finest traditions of the sea. We extend our greatest appreciation for your exemplary commitment to the maritime community.

Sincerely,

Theofilos Xenakoudis  
Deputy Commissioner of Maritime Affairs