LAUNCH OF UK NATIONAL MARITIME SINGLE WINDOW PILOT

The United Kingdom Department for Transport launched on 28th January 2016 a portal known as the **National Maritime Single Window** (NMSW) in a pilot form.

The NMSW allows ships' masters and agents to submit some electronic pre-arrival reports to UK authorities in advance of arrival to/departure from UK ports.

The pilot NMSW is available to use at http://maritime.dft.gov.uk/.

The NMSW has been launched on a pilot basis and existing reporting arrangements will be accepted **until summer 2016**. There are no new reporting requirements.

The pilot NMSW ensures that the **FAL forms 1, 5 and 6 reports** are sent in the correct format, to **Border Force and HMRC only** and at the correct time. The system has been designed to be easy to use, and will automatically check for common errors or inconsistencies in some of the data provided.

Users are encouraged to familiarise themselves with the NMSW during this time, and report any feedback to MSW@dft.gsi.gov.uk. Training for industry will be provided by Border Force and a timetable for industry will be provided shortly.

If you require any further information about the NMSW please contact the Carrier and Engagement Data Analysis Team (CEDAT) within Border Force Intelligence at carriers@homeoffice.gsi.gov.uk

Further announcements will be made in due course regarding expansion of the NMSW once the pilot phase has completed.

This information is not restricted and can be shared with industry stakeholders.