



June 15, 2009
Circular No. 029-2009

General Manager
Panama City

Ref.: [Forged checks charged to the Panama Maritime Authority account](#)

Dear General Manager:

We hereby inform you that this Superintendency has received a notice from the Panama Maritime Authority, wherein it reports that it has been the object of forgery of a check series charged to its account and that have been certified by *Banco Nacional de Panamá*.

Similarly, it was reported that the Treasury Department of the Panama Maritime Authority detected other forged checks charged to its account that have not been certified by *Banco Nacional de Panamá*.

For your due knowledge and reference, we are attaching the note sent by the Panama Maritime Authority, which shows the check detail.

We ask the General Manager to give the pertinent instructions to the staff under his charge, so that said documents are not accepted as banking transactions.

Attentively,

Gustavo Adolfo Villa Jr.
Interim Superintendent

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Attachment: What we announced.

PANAMA MARITIME AUTHORITY

Panama, June 10, 2009
AMD. No. 1137-06-2009

Engineer
Olegario Barrelier Chiari
Superintendent of Banks of Panama

Mr. Superintendent:

I hereby address you to inform you that as of this date, this Maritime Institution has been the object of forgery (paper, printing and authorized signatures) of a check series charged to the Panama Maritime Authority account and that have been certified by *Banco Nacional de Panamá*, which we detail below:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Check No.</u>	<u>Value</u>
05/26/09	41845	B/.250.50
05/26/09	41859	B/.350.50
05/26/09	41849	B/.250.50
05/26/09	41858	B/.350.50
05/26/09	41848	B/.250.50
05/26/09	41852	B/.350.50
05/26/09	41861	B/.350.50
05/27/09	41839	B/.250.50
05/27/09	41835	B/.250.50
05/27/09	41857	B/.350.50
05/28/09	41838	B/.250.50
05/28/09	41843	B/.250.50
	Total:	B/.3,506.00

Similarly, the Treasury Department of the Panama Maritime Authority detected six (6) other **FORGED CHECKS** charged to this Maritime Institution's account that have not been certified by *Banco Nacional de Panamá*, which we detail below:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Check No.</u>	<u>Value</u>
05/29/09	41842	B/.250.50
05/29/09	41855	B/.350.50
06/02/09	41893	B/.250.50
06/03/09	41837	B/.250.50
06/03/09	41890	B/.250.50
06/04/09	41899	B/.250.50
	Total:	B/.1,603.00

The foregoing is so that the Superintendency of Banks of Panama may be aware of the situation and may aid the Panama Maritime Authority in informing the different banking entities of the aforementioned crime, as well as the different commercial sites of the country, as long as there are no obstacles.

It is worth emphasizing that the last check issued by the Treasury Department of the Panama Maritime Authority is Check No.40853 of June 3, 2009.

With nothing else in particular, I undersign.

Attentively,

Fernando A. Solórzano
Administrator of the
Panama Maritime Authority

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