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To all our customers :

## Subject: SOLAS

Dear Customer, Combimar Agemar & Spa confirms its own official position in respect to the new SOLAS regulations, which will come officially into force on 01.07.2016.

According to the issued decree our company is gearing up to comply with the new regulations using the method called "Method 2" as per executive decree no. 447/2016:

**"Method 2:** the shipper attests the VGM of individual elements by following the steps listed below”:

**Phase 1** - weighing of packages - load (packages and cargo items):

The forwarder are weighing individual packages with regulatory instruments. Alternatively, the mass of these elements can be deduced from the weighing documentation, provided by a third part, determined with regulatory instruments, or else, from the declared weight affixed indelibly on the sealed package at origin;

**Phase 2** - weighing of lashing and packaging materials (securing materials and packing materials):

The forwarder weighs individual lashing materials and packaging with regulatory instruments. Alternatively, the mass of these elements can be deduced from the weighing documentation, provided by a third part, determined with regulatory instruments;

**Phase 3 - Determination of the tare container:**

The forwarder determines the tare weight, as specified in paragraph 12 of the annex to Circ.MSC.1 / 1475.

The sum of the weights obtained in the above steps constitutes the gross mass of the container occurred.

Combimar Agemar & Spa aims with the same, being aware, at the time of loading of their own consolidations, the actual weight to be declared, becoming the shipper in the MBL, and therefore responsible for the statements, without any eventual post problems and providing a complementary service to customers for a “certified” weighing.

The weighing operations and certification inevitably will result in additional costs for which we will follow with further communication as soon as possible.

In case of any change or further information we will certainly inform you in due time.

Sure that we can provide a quality service that will meet the requirements of this new regulation we remain available for any clarification.

Combimar Agemar & Spa