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THE MARITIME LAW ASSOCIATION  
OF THE UNITED STATES

Bermuda Meeting, October 25-29, 1972

I am advised by the Convention Manager for the Southampton Princess that all of the rooms at this hotel have now been booked. However, we still have 150 rooms set aside at the Princess, Pembroke, which is located in Hamilton. The Convention Manager advises me that they will not be able to hold these rooms for us beyond June 15. A member desiring a room at this hotel should make application direct to the Princess, P. O. Box 837, Hamilton, Bermuda. Of course, after June 15 there may still be rooms available at this hotel, but they will no longer be held exclusively for MLA members. I am advised that guests staying at the Princess in Hamilton can arrange to take their evening meal at the Southampton Princess at no extra charge. In other words, a member staying at the Princess in Hamilton can simply notify the hotel in the morning that he desires to have dinner at the Southampton Princess and he can do so at no extra charge. Practically all of the hotels in Bermuda operate on the Modified American Plan (breakfast and dinner included) and if you stay at some other hotel and want to have your evening meal at the Southampton Princess, you will have to pay for meals at both places.

At a recent meeting of the Bermuda Committee, it was decided that the Association would charge a registration fee of \$50 per member (no charge for wife) to cover printing costs, favors for both husband and wife, golf and tennis prizes, wine at the banquet, and cocktail parties sponsored by the Association.

There will be a cocktail hour each evening Wednesday through Saturday prior to dinner. The hotel has agreed to sponsor a "Welcome, Rum Swizzle Party" on Wednesday evening and the Association will sponsor a party preceding the banquet on Saturday evening. We are still looking for sponsors for the cocktail parties on Thursday and Friday evenings. Since we will all be together in one hotel, private parties are being discouraged.

Enclosed herewith you will find another flyer from Danor Travel from which you will note that there are still seats available for the chartered flights. I am also advised that Flagship Cruises,

Inc., who operate the M/S SEA VENTURE with weekly sailings from New York to Bermuda can take a limited number of one-way passengers on a cruise ship which would leave New York on October 21 and arrive in Bermuda on October 23. You could then transfer to the hotel. The cruise ship leaves Bermuda on October 26 so you would not be able to return with the ship that week, but you could return the following week on November 2, on the next sailing of the same ship, or you could fly home. Those desiring further information, prices, etc., concerning this cruise should contact Flagship Cruises, Inc., 21 West Street, New York, N. Y. 10016, Attn. L. M. Chuzi, or consult your local travel agent. I am told that the one-way price would be 60% of the round-trip price and that passage both ways with a week's layover in Bermuda would be 90% of the round-trip price.

Enclosed herewith you will also find a questionnaire which should be returned to me on or before September 1, together with check in the sum of \$50 to cover registration fee. The handling of registration in this manner will enable us to publish a registration list in advance of the meeting. We intend to publish this list in a pocket-size booklet containing the program for the meeting.

The plans for the seminars are progressing well. Seminars will be conducted on the following subjects by standing committees of the MLA.

#### Thursday, October 26

9:00 to 11:00 A.M.—Seminar No. 1—Discovery Procedures in Maritime Cases of Collision, Personal Injury, and Cargo—Committee on Court Rules.

Seminar No. 2—How to Handle a Maritime Pollution Case—Committee on Marine Ecology.

#### Friday, October 27

9:00 to 11:00 A.M.—Seminar No. 3—How to Handle Damage and Loss Claims in Multi-Modal Thru-Transit Cargo Cases—Committee on Bills of Lading.

Seminar No. 4—In Rem and In Personam Attachment Procedures and Problems in Maritime Cases—Committee on Court Rules and Committee on Navigation and Coast Guard Matters.

There will be a banquet on Saturday night with seating to be arranged by a committee.

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Chairman,  
Committee on Arrangements  
for Bermuda Meeting