

urgent exchange measures

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Rome, July 22 (askanews) – Confitarma and Assarmatori, through their presidents, Mario Mattioli and Stefano Messina, ask the Transport Ministry, Paola De Micheli, for urgent measures on the issue of seafarer rotation.

The associations ask for immediate responses as well as the timely adhesion by Italy to the agreement signed a few days ago by 13 maritime countries to facilitate crew changes, expressing their disappointment at the failure of our partner to sign this agreement Country. Regarding the issue of self-production Mario Mattioli and Stefano Messina reiterated their total opposition to the changes made to the pre-existing legislation, for both method and merit reasons.

"To hit someone's abuses – said Mario Mattioli – you cannot hit the freedom of economic initiative of an entire business category. It is evident, in fact, that this measure will lead to an increase in the already high tariffs applied in Italian ports, with heavy damage to the competitiveness of Italian ports, higher costs for shipowners, as well as a penalty for maritime workers in terms of employment, but also wages. For this reason we will defend our reasons in every allowed location ". (Continued)