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Dear Sebastian, Philip and Michael,

Egham, 15 June 2016

### ICOMIA 2015 Congress

On behalf of the ICOMIA membership I would like to thank you for hosting this year's congress. If I would have to describe it with one word – it has been wonderful!

A tremendous effort and attention to detail is required to perform at the outstanding level you did. The feedback received from our delegates has been positive throughout and suggested they were immediately overwhelmed by your perfect organisation and the stunning location in the middle of Gdansk. Seeing so many of the POLBOAT member companies contributing to the yard updates, industry visits as well as attending the social events rounded up the impression of how your association is well-connected with your members issues.

The evening events were a powerful display of your representation within politics and authorities, as well as your maritime and national heritage. I enjoyed the evening onboard "DAR POMORZA" as a personal highlight, having read about the ship from childhood. The series of events all concluded in a fantastic gala dinner, preceded by a tour through your country's recent history which is particularly a reminder that our "free" world is nothing we should take for granted.

These factors all together resulted in a harmonious atmosphere during the entire stay. I believe our members will keep this recent congress for a long time in their memory as a perfect event, and I believe I can speak for Tony and myself, there could not have been a better set-up for us to open new chapters in our lives than in Gdansk being your guests.

Many, many thanks for this beautiful last week

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