RETRACTION NOTE

to the paper titled "*Stress in a salvage faying face of a submarine while mooring a recovery vessel*" by Lesław Kyzioł Ph.D. Eng., Assocpaperiate Professor of Gdynia Maritime University, published in "Journal of POLISH CIMAC " vol 7, no 2, 2012 on pages 97-105, which has been recognized as academic plagiarism.

The paper under the above title has been written through translation of some parts of the thesis titled "*Influence of the geometry of Kobben submarine mating face on the stress*" by Mark Bohn, M.Sc. Eng. The thesis was made at the Institute of Ship Construction and Exploitation under the leadership of promotor Bogdan Szturomski, Ph.D. Eng. and defended in February 2012 at the Mechanical and Electrical Engineering Faculty of the Polish Naval Academy in Gdynia. All drawings, tables and images used in the paper were taken from the said thesis without any reference thereto in the list of references. The name of the author as well as the name of the promotor were ignored.

In particular, the following can be found:

- 1. Figure 3 on page 10 in the thesis was inserted into the paper as Figure 1 on page 98 in the journal,
- 2. Figure 4 on page 12 in the thesis was inserted into the paper as Figure 2 on page 98 in the journal,
- 3. Figure 5 on page 13 in the thesis was inserted into the paper as Image 3 on page 98 in the journal,
- 4. Figure 7 on page 14 in the thesis was inserted into the paper as Figure 5 on page 99 in the journal,
- 5. Figure 8 on page 15 in the thesis was inserted into the paper as Figure 6 on page 99 in the journal,
- 6. Figure 9 on page 16 in the thesis was inserted into the paper as Figure 4 on page 99 in the journal,
- 7. Table 2 on page 17 in the thesis was inserted into the paper as Table 1 on page 99 in the journal,
- 8. Figure 20 on page 26 in the thesis was inserted into the paper as Figure 7 on page 100 in the journal,
- 9. Equations 19, 20, 21 and 22 on pages 32 and 33 in the thesis were inserted into the paper as equations 1, 2, 3, 4 on pages 100 and 101 in the journal,
- 10. Figure 36 on page 41 in the thesis was inserted into the paper as Figure 8 on page 101 in the journal,
- 11. Equations 23, 24 and 25 on page 41 and equations 26 and 27 on page 42 in the thesis were inserted into the paper as equation 5 and its description, on page 102 in the journal,
- 12. Table 5 on page 43 in the thesis was inserted into the paper as Table 2 on page 102 in the journal,
- 13. Figure 78 on page 67 in the thesis was inserted into the paper as Figure 9 on page 103 in the journal,
- 14. Figure 80 on page 68 in the thesis was inserted into the paper as Figure 10 on page 103 in the journal,
- 15. Table 7 on page 69 in the thesis was inserted into the paper as Table 3 on page 103 in the journal,

- 16. Figure 83 on page 70 in the thesis was inserted into the paper as Figure 11 on page 104 in the journal,
- 17. Figure 85 on page 71 in the thesis was inserted into the paper as Figure 12 on page 104 in the journal.
- 18. Table 8 on page 72 in the thesis was inserted into the paper as Table 4 on page 104 in the journal.
- 19. Almost the entire text of the paper (excluding the abstract and the 2nd paragraph in the introduction) is a partial and selective translation of the thesis.

Lesław Kyzioł Ph.D. Eng. Associate Professor of the Gdynia Maritime University, was familiarize with and in possession of the thesis, because was its reviewer for the defense of master's degree by Marek Bohn, however had not contributed earlier to its elaboration nor writing.

These facts have been established and confirmed by the Editorial Board of "Journal of ENGLISH CIMAC, consisting of:

- Jerzy Girtler Prof. Ph.D. D.Sc. Eng., Full Professor of Gdansk University of Technology Editor-in-Chief,
- Jacek Rudnicki, Ph.D. Eng. Content Editor
- Ryszard Zadrąg, Ph.D. Eng. Managing Editor,
- Patrycja Puzdrowska M.Sc. Eng. Member of Editorial Board.

The first three members of Editorial Board have got respective education in science and academic qualifications that entitle them to evaluate works in the field of technical sciences and in the branch of machine construction and operation, thus in these domains of knowledge, which both the paper and the thesis do concern.

The presented opinion saying that the investigated paper is academic plagiarism which violates scientific decency, has been formulated in consideration of statements submitted by:

- 1) thesis promotor Bogdan Szturomski, Ph.D. Eng., who revealed evidences proving that Lesław Kyzioł Ph.D. Eng., Associate Professor of Gdynia Maritime University infringed the copyright of Marek Bohn,
- 2) attorney Małgorzata Necel-Gizowska, who in letter dated 30 January 2014, on behalf of Lesław Kyzioł Ph.D. Eng,. Associate Professor of Gdynia Maritime University, negated that he had infringed the copyright of Marek Bohn.

The Editorial Board also took into account the Protocol of 14 November 2013 that provides position of the Commission of the Polish Naval Academy in Gdynia established by Rector–Superintendent of the Polish Naval Academy on November 6, 2013 to carry out a technical and comparative analysis of the paper titled "*Stress in a salvage faying face of a submarine while mooring a recovery vessel* " by Associate Professor Lesław Kyzioł Ph.D. Eng., and the thesis by Mark Bohn, M.Sc. Eng. A scanned copy of the Protocol (in Polish) is shown on the next page.

The Editorial Board's decision of paper retraction is consistent with the request to retract this paper, expressed by Rector–Superintendent of the Polish Naval Academy, Rear Admiral Czeslaw Dyrcz, PhD. Eng in the letter of 06.02.2014 addressed to Editor-

in-Chief of "Journal of POLISH CIMAC", as a result of findings made by the Commission of the Polish Naval Academy in Gdynia.

The Editorial Board of "Journal of POLISH CIMAC" apologizes all its readers for this outrageous act of breach of academic credibility. Neither the Editorial Board's members nor the reviewers disposed of a copy of the thesis. We also do hope that after invalidation of the dishonest paper titled "*Stress in a salvage faying face of a submarine while mooring a recovery vessel*" by Associate Professor Lesław Kyzioł, the true author of this work, Mark Bohn, M.Sc. Eng. will take the opportunity of publishing results of his work. Our journal is open to him.

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Jerzy Girtler, Prof. Ph.D. Eng. Full Professor of Gdansk University of Technology Editor-in-Chief Journal of POLISH CIMAC