

## **GSO Update – May 2021**

### **To all Guild Members employed as Ships' Officers in the federal government:**

As you know in April of 2019 the Canadian Merchant Service Guild requested members employed in the bargaining unit to submit recommendations for improvements and changes to the contract and we want to thank members for their overwhelming response. Your GSO Advisory Committee has crafted your recommendations into specific contract language that will form the basis of the Guild proposal package.

The Guild and the Treasury Board will be meeting in July to exchange contract proposals and commence bargaining. As some time has passed, and events have occurred since our original request we recognize that this may have resulted in additional recommendations for improvements and changes to the contract that you would like to be considered.

We ask that if you have any additional recommendations for improvements to the contract, please submit them on or before May 28, 2021, to the following email for review by your GSO Advisory Committee [gso.proposals@gmmc-cmsg.org](mailto:gso.proposals@gmmc-cmsg.org). After proposals have been exchanged with the Treasury Board, the proposals of both the Guild and the employer will be posted on the Guild website.

Yours truly,

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