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**Subject:** Request for access from the Dagbladet newspaper.

**To the Royal Norwegian Embassy in Jakarta.**

**We hereby request access as follows:**

We are aware of at least 10 applications for a seafarer's visa/temporary residence for Indonesian seafarers (between 2014-2016) who have been transported **from Indonesia to Båtsfjord in Finnmark**, and that these have been processed by the embassy in Jakarta. Applications have been made from companies in Norway (forwarding agent/agent) and employment contracts have been attached. From what I understand, the Norwegian companies Lanes Supply AS and Sea & Coast AS have been among the facilitators/guarantors for employment contracts. From what we can understand, the clients were Latvian and possibly Lithuanian and Russian companies/shipowners.

We hereby request **access to these employment contracts** – preferably with depersonalisation of the identity of the person for whom the application is being made - if this is decisive for access. Of course, if there is a large number of identical contracts from the same facilitator and client/shipping company/vessel, we do not need a copy of all the contracts – only to be informed of the number of identical contracts.

We think that access to depersonalised employment contracts could be granted. cf., also the enhanced access requirement under the Norwegian Freedom of Information Act.

It would be of great value to us to receive information about the **number of applications for a seaman's visa** (related to this environment) that the Norwegian embassy in Jakarta has received from around 1 January 2012 to the present (broken down by years). Which companies have been applicants/guarantors for employment contracts/facilitator from the Norwegian side? And for which vessels/shipping companies/clients applications have been made. If this is not evident from the document access itself – we request to receive these data/totals.

We are also aware that there was a reaction to the content of the employment contracts and we would like to know how the embassy followed this up. If there is correspondence with the Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs or others concerning the matter – we request access to this correspondence.

Finally, please get in touch if any is unclear or difficult.

An early reply would be appreciated.

With best regards  
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