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AdvanFort burnishes quality management through ISO 9001 certification

The **AdvanFort Company**, a recognized leader in global maritime security solutions, is continuing its dedication to quality management by undergoing International Organization for Standardization (ISO) 9001 certification.

The U.S.-based security provider already has been certified by the International Maritime Law Enforcement Academy and has also been vetted by the Maritime Security Council before being granted executive membership in that industry-led group that is now in its third decade.

“We at **AdvanFort** are very pleased to announce that Core Business Solutions, specialists in business development and change management, has been retained to guide the company through its ISO 9001:2008 certification,” said President William H. Watson. “In addition to the ISO 9001 certification, we are already moving to be fully compliant with ISO 28007 when it comes into effect. And we are also moving forward with certification by the Security Association for the Maritime Industry (SAMI).”

ISO 9001 deals with a company’s quality management system, while ISO 28007 deals specifically with Private Maritime Security Companies. The 28007 certification has been approved by the International Maritime Organization (IMO) but is not yet being offered to the industry.

“Independent vetting is critical to all businesses,” Captain Watson continued, “but is especially critical in the security arena where life and property hang in the balance.”

The **AdvanFort Company** is privately held and headquartered in the Washington, D.C. Area, with offices in London and Tallinn, and soon in Germany, Greece, Turkey, Japan and China.