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**SHIPPING DEPUTY MINISTRY TO THE PRESIDENT**

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Tonnage Tax Companies

Owners of Ships under Foreign Flag,  
Charterers and Ship Managers  
operating in the Republic of Cyprus

Members of the Cyprus Shipping Chamber c/o CSC  
Members of the Cyprus Union of Shipowners c/o CUS

**Subject: Cyprus Tonnage Tax System (Law 44(I)/2010 as amended): Flags which appear on the Grey List and Black List of the Paris MOU for the Fiscal Year 2020**

As provided by sections 17(2), 27(2) and 40(2) of Law 44(I)/2010 as amended and on the basis of the relevant tables contained in the Annual Report of the Paris MOU for the year 2019, the Acting Permanent Secretary of the Shipping Deputy Ministry has decided that the flags appearing in Annex I are included in the Grey List of the Paris MOU and flags appearing in Annex II are included in the Black List of the Paris MOU.

It is recalled that, as provided by sections 17(1), 27(1) and 40(1) of the said Law, Qualifying non-Community ships shall have their annual tonnage tax increased:

- (a) by thirty per cent (30%) if the flag they are entitled to fly appears in the Grey List of the Paris MOU;
- (b) by sixty per cent (60%) if the flag they are entitled to fly appears in the Black List of the Paris MOU.

As provided by section 34(4) of the Law, ships under management (Community and non-Community ships), flying a flag which appears in the Black List of the Paris MOU, shall be deemed to fulfil the requirements of section 34(1), i.e. to comply with international and Community standards, only if the technical and crew management of every such ship is entirely performed from the territory of any EU/EEA Member State. In case of non-compliance with the above, the provisions of section 54 of the Law shall apply.

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Acting Permanent Secretary  
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- Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Finance
- Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
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- Commissioner for State Aid Control
- Commissioner of Taxation, Tax Department
- Director General, Cyprus Investment Promotion Agency (CIPA)
- Cyprus Bar Association
- Institute of Certified Public Accountants of Cyprus

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## **ANNEX I**

### **Grey List of the Paris MOU to be used for the fiscal year 2020**

1. Algeria
2. Azerbaijan
3. Bulgaria
4. Curacao
5. Egypt
6. Georgia
7. India
8. Iran, Islamic Republic of
9. Jamaica
10. Kazakhstan
11. Kuwait
12. Lebanon
13. Libya
14. Malaysia
15. Morocco
16. Poland
17. Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
18. Saudi Arabia
19. Slovakia
20. Switzerland
21. Syrian Arab Republic
22. Thailand
23. Tuvalu
24. Vanuatu
25. Viet Nam

## **ANNEX II**

### **Black List of the Paris MOU to be used for the fiscal year 2020**

1. Albania
2. Belize
3. Bolivia
4. Cambodia
5. Comoros
6. Congo, Republic of the
7. Cook Islands
8. Dominica
9. Honduras
10. Moldova, Republic of
11. Mongolia
12. Montenegro
13. Saint Kitts and Nevis
14. Sierra Leone
15. Tanzania, United Republic of
16. Togo
17. Tonga
18. Tunisia
19. Ukraine