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TO Owners, Managers and Representatives of Ships under the Cyprus Flag

Recognised Security Organisations (RSO's):

American Bureau of Shipping
Bureau Veritas
China Classification Society
Det Norske Veritas
Germanischer Lloyd
Hellenic Register of Shipping
Korean Register of Shipping
Lloyd's Register of Shipping
Nippon Kaiji Kyokai
Polish Register of Shipping
Russian Maritime Register of Shipping
RINA

Subject: Implementation of IMO Unique Company and Registered Owner Identification Number Scheme (resolution MSC.160 (78)) and CSR documents

I wish to remind all owners and managers of the contents of my Circular No. 11/2008 and of their obligation that both the Unique Company and Registered Owner Identification numbers should have been obtained by 31 December 2008 for existing ships.

As already mentioned in Circular 11/2008, the Recognised Organisations issuing on behalf of the Republic of Cyprus, ISM and ISPS related certificates are requested when issuing or renewing relevant certificates on or after 1 January 2009 to add the **IMO Unique Company Identification Number as appropriate, preferably under or adjacent to the Company's name and business address**. The following wording must be adopted.

For the on the DoC and SMC:

Company Identification Number: Αριθμός Αναγνώρισης Εταιρείας

For the ISSC: **Company Identification Number**

In addition, the DMS is issuing new Continuous Synopsis Record documents to all ships currently holding CSR documents containing the Owner and Company identification numbers in order to avoid any delays of the ships by Port State Control authorities which check compliance with this requirement.

Owners and managers that have not yet communicated these numbers to the Department of Merchant Shipping are strongly advised to do so (using the ISPS C2 and C3 forms) as soon as possible and not later than 31 March 2009. The forms must be sent to maritime.security@dms.mcw.gov.cy

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