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DEPARTMENT OF MERCHANT SHIPPING
LEMESOS**

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To all Owners,
Managers and Representatives
of vessels flying the Cyprus Flag

To all Recognized and Authorized Classification Societies
Inspectors of Cyprus Ships

Subject: **Application for the issue of a Minimum Safe Manning Document**

With reference to the above subject and to our Circular No.16/2002 we wish to inform you that although a period of one year has elapsed since the release of Circular No.16/2002, a number of Companies have not yet applied for the issue of revised Minimum Safe Manning Documents.

As a result, several Port State Control inspection reports have been received by this Department with the above mentioned deficiency.

Therefore, it is imperative for those companies who have not yet replaced the old Minimum Safe Manning Documents with the new ones, to apply to this Department in accordance with Circular No. 16/2002.

Whenever a new Minimum Safe Manning Document has been issued to the vessel to replace the existing one, the latter should be returned to this Department.

The verification of the existence on board of the revised Minimum Safe Manning Document should be considered as an additional requirement of the Cyprus Flag with regard to the Safety Management System implemented on board Cyprus ships.

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