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Owners, Managers and Representatives of ships under the Cyprus Flag

Owners, Masters and Representatives of all ships calling at Cyprus ports

Cyprus Shipping Association

## Subject: Port State control - Concentrated Inspection Campaigns

I wish to inform you that Paris, Tokyo, Black Sea, Indian Ocean and Mediterranean Memoranda of Understanding on Port State Control (MoUs) will be carrying out a Joint Concentrated Inspection Campaign (CIC) between 1 September 2012 and 30 November 2012.

2 The CIC will be addressing compliance with SOLAS Chapter II-2/Construction, fire protection, fire detection and fire extinction arrangements on board ships. During the CIC, Port State Control Officers (PSCOs) will be focusing their attention to the fire safety arrangements, maintenance records and other applicable documentation for compliance with SOLAS Chapter II-2. Further information on the CIC and the questionnaire that will be used during the CIC can be found on the Paris MoU web-site at the following link:

http://www.parismou.org/Publications/Press\_releases/2012.06.01/Paris\_and\_Tokyo\_MoUs\_on\_ PSC\_will\_hold\_joint\_CIC\_on\_Fire\_Safety\_Systems.htm

3 Ships entitled to fly the Cyprus flag should expect visits by PSCOs whilst in ports, roadsteads, anchorages and offshore terminals located within the territory or under the jurisdiction of the States which are parties to the Paris or Tokyo or Black Sea or Indian Ocean or Mediterranean MoUs.

4 Ships, irrespective of the flag they may be entitled to fly, calling at ports and anchorages in Cyprus will be inspected by the PSCOs of the Department.



5 As during previous CICs, the Paris, Tokyo, Black Sea, Indian Ocean and Mediterranean MoUs will continue to conduct Port State Control inspections of all ships in accordance with their established programs.

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