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DEPARTMENT OF MERCHANT SHIPPING LEMESOS

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To all Registered owners, Registered bareboat charterers Managers and Representatives of ships flying the Cyprus Flag

To all Owners, Managers and Representatives of ships under a foreign flag calling at Cyprus ports

c/o Cyprus Shipping Chamber

c/o Cyprus Union of Shipowners

c/o Cyprus Shipping Association

Subject: <u>Implementation of EU & UN instruments concerning restrictive</u> measures against Libya

- 1. I refer to the above subject and further to DMS Circulars No. 10/2011, No. 29/2011, No. 32/2011, No. 33/2012 and No. 51/2012, I wish to inform you of the adoption by the United Nations and the European Union of the following instruments concerning restrictive measures against Libya:
 - UN Security Council Resolution 2095(2013);
 - EU Council Decision 2013/182/CFSP amending EU Council Decision 2011/137/CFSP.
- The aforesaid instruments in essence amend the list of exemptions to the prohibition of transportation of arms and related materiel clause. As a result, the list of exemptions of paragraph 4 of national order P.I. 195/2012, corresponding to Article 2 of *EU Council Decision 2011/137/CFSP as amended*, consists of the following:

The prohibition of transportation shall not apply to the transportation of:

- (I) (a) non-lethal military equipment or of equipment which might be used for internal repression, intended solely for humanitarian or protective use;
 - (b) personnel, related to such equipment.
- (II) (a) arms and related materiel;
 - (b) personnel, related to such equipment;

as approved in advance by the Committee established pursuant to paragraph 24 of UN Security Council Resolution 1970 (2011) ("the Committee").

- (III) protective clothing, including flak jackets and military helmets, temporarily exported to Libya by UN personnel, personnel of the Union or its Member States, representatives of the media and humanitarian and development workers and associated personnel for their personal use only.
- (IV) non-lethal military equipment intended solely for security or disarmament assistance to the Libyan government.
- (V) (a) arms and related materiel, intended solely for security or disarmament assistance to the Libyan government;
 - (b) small arms, light weapons and related materiel, temporarily exported to Libya for the sole use of UN personnel, representatives of the media and humanitarian and development workers and associated personnel,

notified to the Committee in advance and in the absence of a negative decision by the Committee within five working days of such a notification.

3. The text of the aforementioned European Union instrument may be found on http://eur-lex.europa.eu whereas the text of United Nations Security Resolution may be found on http://www.un.org/Docs/sc/.

A regularly updated list of all the European Union restrictive measures in force can be found at http://eeas.europa.eu/cfsp/sanctions/docs/measures_en.pdf

4. All recipients of the present Circular are invited to take note of its content and should strictly abide by the provisions of the aforementioned instruments, other related European Union Instruments on Libya as well as of national order P.I. 195/2012.

This Circular must be placed on board vessels flying the Cyprus flag.

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