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

**Subject: The Merchant Shipping (Compliance with Flag State Requirements)
Order of 2016 (P.I. 350/2016).**

1. I refer to the above subject and, further to the previous DMS Circular No. 28/2012, I wish to inform you that the Minister of Transport, Communications and Works of the Republic of Cyprus, in exercising his powers under sections 2(1) and 14 of the **Merchant Shipping (Compliance with Flag State Requirements) Law of 2012 (Law 48(I)/2012)**, issued the **Merchant Shipping (Compliance with Flag State Requirements) Order of 2016, P.I. 350/2016¹**.
2. The said new Order repeals and replaces previous Order P.I. 190/2012, so as to include in the definition of the relevant International Conventions **the Maritime Labour Convention of 2006 (MLC 2006); and the Nairobi International Convention on the Removal of Wrecks of 2007 (Wreck Removal Convention)**.
3. Therefore, the relevant International Conventions coming under the scope of application of Law 48(I)/2012, are now the following:
 - (a) *the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea of 1974 (SOLAS 74);*
 - (b) *the International Load Lines Convention of 1966 (LL Convention 66);*
 - (c) *the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships of 1973 and the 1978 Protocol thereto (MARPOL Convention 73/78);*
 - (d) *the International Convention on Tonnage Measurement of Ships of 1969 (ITC Convention 69);*
 - (e) *the Convention on International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea of 1972 (COLREG Convention 72);*
 - (f) *the International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers of 1978 (STCW Convention 78);*

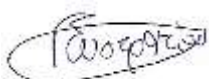
¹ Published in the Official Gazette of the Republic No. 4978, Supplement III (I), dated 02.12.2016.



- (g) *the Special Trade Passenger Ships Agreement 1971 (STP 71), and the Protocol on Space Requirements for Special Trade Passenger Ships 1973 (SPACE STP 73);*
- (h) *the International Convention on the Control of Harmful Anti-fouling Systems on Ships of 2001 (ANTI-FOULING Convention);*
- (i) *the International Convention on the Prevention of Marine Pollution by Dumping of Wastes and other Matter of 1972 (DUMPING Convention);*
- (j) *the International Convention on Civil Liability for Oil Pollution Damage of 1992 (CLC Convention 92);*
- (k) *the International Convention for the Establishment of an International Fund for Compensation for Oil Pollution Damage of 1971 and of its Protocols of 1976 and 1992 (FUND Convention);*
- (l) *the International Convention on Civil Liability for Bunker Oil Pollution Damage of 2001 (BUNKERS Convention);*
- (m) *the International Convention on Maritime Search and Rescue of 1979 (SAR Convention);*
- (n) *the International Convention for Safe Containers of 1972 (CSC Convention);*
- (o) *the Convention on Facilitation of International Maritime Traffic of 1965 and of its Amendments of 1969 to 1996 (FAL Convention);*
- (p) *the International Convention on Liability and Compensation for Damage in Connection with the Carriage of Hazardous and Noxious Substances by Sea of 1996 (HNS Convention);*
- (q) *the Maritime Labour Convention of 2006 (MLC 2006); and*
- (r) *the Nairobi International Convention on the Removal of Wrecks of 2007 (Wreck Removal Convention).*

The above term "International Conventions" includes the relevant to these International Conventions Protocols and relevant Codes, Standards, Resolutions, Recommendations or Guidelines in their up-to-date version.

The Owners, Managers and Representatives of Cyprus Ships should strictly abide by the above new Order.



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