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To all Owners, Managers and Representatives
of Ships under the Cyprus Flag

Subject: The Cyprus Ships (Prohibition of Transportation of Arms, Related Materiel and Luxury Goods to the Democratic Republic of Korea) (Amendment) Order of 2009 implementing EU Council Common Position 2009/573/CFSP and UN Security Council Resolution 1874(2009)

1. I refer to the above subject and further to my Circular No. 10/2007 (dated 28.3.07) with regard to the issuing of P.I. 92/2007, I wish to inform you that the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Cyprus, in exercising its powers under section 3 of the Cyprus Ships (Prohibition of Transportation) Laws 1966-1971, issued the Cyprus Ships (Prohibition of Transportation of Arms, Related Materiel and Luxury Goods to the Democratic Republic of Korea) (Amendment) Order of 2009, P.I. 401/2009 (published in the Official Gazette of the Republic No. 4398, Supplement III (I), dated 4.12.2009, which implements European Union Council Common Position 2009/573/CFSP and UN Security Council Resolution 1874(2009).
2. In implementing the aforementioned Instruments, Order P.I. 401/2009 amends Order P.I. 92/2007 in order to additionally exempt from the first prohibition under paragraph 2(1) the following items:

“Small arms or light weapons and their related materiel, provided that the shipowners shall inform accordingly the competent authority, who in turn shall notify the Committee [being the one established under paragraph 12 of the UN Security Council Resolution 1718(2006)], at least five (5) days prior to transferring such weapons to the Democratic Republic of Korea.”

Furthermore, the new Amendment Order expands the prohibition of transportation by Cyprus Ships, to and from the Democratic Republic of Korea, to the following additional items:

“Certain other items, materials, equipment, goods and technology, as may from time to time be determined by the UN Security Council and the European Community, which could contribute to the Democratic Republic of Korea’s nuclear or ballistic missile or other weapons of mass destruction programmes.”

3. I wish to inform you further that you will find the United Nations List of items, materials, equipment, goods and technology related to ballistic missile programmes referred to above, in the following link of the relevant UN Security Council Committee:

www.un.org/sc/committees/1718/ then click on: **List of Items Prohibited for export to and import from the DPRK** , then click on document **S/2009/205 - 15 April, 2009**

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

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