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

Subject: Implementation of EU instruments concerning the suspension of restrictive measures against Burma/Myanmar

1. I refer to the above subject and further to my Circular No. 46/2011 (dated 15.12.2011), regarding the issuing of P.I. 487/2011¹ I wish to inform you of the adoption by the European Union of the following instruments concerning the suspension of certain restrictive measures against Burma/Myanmar:
 - ***EU Council Regulation (EU) no. 409/2012, concerning the suspension of certain restrictive measures laid down in EU Council Regulation (EU) no. 194/2008;***
 - ***EU Council Decision 2012/225/CFSP amending EU Council Decision 2010/232/CFSP.***
2. As a result of the aforesaid EU instruments paragraphs 4 and 5 of P.I. 487/2011 are suspended until the 30th April 2013. Paragraphs 4 and 5 correspond to Articles 2 and 5 of ***EU Council Regulation (EU) no. 194/2008, as amended***, and Articles 3,4, and 8 of ***EU Council Decision 2010/232/CFSP, as amended***.

Moreover, paragraphs 4 and 5 of P.I. 487/2011 relate to the transportation of goods to and/or from Burma/Myanmar which belong to the following categories:

 - a. round logs, timber and timber products;
 - b. gold, tin, iron, copper, tungsten, silver, coal, lead, manganese, nickel and zinc;
 - c. precious and semi-precious stones, including diamonds, rubies, sapphires, jade and emeralds.
3. The text of the aforesaid **EU instruments** is obtainable from <http://eur-lex.europa.eu/>.

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

¹ published in the Official Gazette of the Republic No. 4533, Supplement III(I), dated 25.11.2011.

4. The above-mentioned EU instruments have a direct effect and are binding on ship owners / ship operators and any violation may expose them to relevant penalties under the Cyprus legislation. All recipients of the present Circular are invited to take note of its content and should strictly abide by the provisions of the aforementioned EU Instruments as well as of P.I. 487/2011.

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



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