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OF  
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Registered owners, registered bareboat charterers,  
managers, operators and masters of  
ships flying the Cyprus flag

Cyprus Bar Association

Institute of Certified Public Accountants of Cyprus

Cyprus Shipping Chamber

Cyprus Union of Shipowners

**Subject: Payment of financial obligations**

1 Due to the current situation of the Cyprus banking sector, a number of interested parties have been making enquiries in relation to alternative ways for the payment of the financial obligations which are due under the provisions of *the Merchant Shipping (Fees and Taxing Provisions) Law of 2010* and/or of other legislation falling within the mandate of the Department.

2 In this respect, the Department reminds the interested parties that, as always, any tax, fee, charge or other financial obligation due can be paid, at any time, to any one of the collecting officers, either in Cyprus or abroad. As far as matters within the mandate of the Department, this can be done by presenting to the collecting officer the relevant notice or invoice issued by the Department.

3 Thus, payments abroad can be made at any one of the Diplomatic or Consular Missions of the Republic of Cyprus abroad or to any one of the Honorary Consular Officers of the Republic of Cyprus abroad. Their contact details can be found on the internet web-site of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs<sup>1</sup>. For the convenience of the interested parties, those concerned should advise the Department where they wish to make the relevant payment and, in turn, the Department will inform accordingly the Diplomatic or Consular Mission or the Honorary Consular Officer.

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<sup>1</sup> The Diplomatic and Consular Missions of the Republic of Cyprus at the following link:  
[http://www.mfa.gov.cy/mfa/mfa2006.nsf/protocol04\\_en/protocol04\\_en](http://www.mfa.gov.cy/mfa/mfa2006.nsf/protocol04_en/protocol04_en)  
and the Honorary Consular Officers of the Republic of Cyprus at the following link:  
[http://www.mfa.gov.cy/mfa/mfa2006.nsf/protocol06\\_en/protocol06\\_en?OpenDocument](http://www.mfa.gov.cy/mfa/mfa2006.nsf/protocol06_en/protocol06_en?OpenDocument)



4 Furthermore, *the Taxation of Owners of Cyprus Ships (Special Provisions on Collection) Notification of 2013 (P.I. 100/2013)*, which has been published in today's issue of the Official Gazette of the Republic (No 4643, Suppl. III(I), dated 29.3.2013), states that, for the 2013 tax year, the Cyprus registry maintenance annual fee and the tonnage tax are due for payment on 15 April 2013 (instead of 31 March 2013).



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