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

Subject: The Cyprus Ships (Prohibition of Transportation of Specific Items, Materials, Equipment, Goods and Technology to and from Iran) Order of 2007-Implementing European Union Council Common Position 2007/140 /CFSP and UN Security Council Resolution 1737(2006)

1. I refer to the above subject and wish to inform you that the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Cyprus, exercising its powers under section 3 of the Cyprus Ships (Prohibition of Transportation) Laws 1966-1971, issued the Cyprus Ships (Prohibition of Transportation of Specific Items , Materials, Equipment, Goods and Technology to and from Iran) Order of 2007 (Order P.I. 262/2007¹).

The said Order implements Common Position 2007/140/CFSP of the Council of the European Union dated 27 February 2007 on restrictive measures against Iran and the UN Resolution 1737(2006) of the Security Council dated 23 December 2006 on restrictive measures against Iran.

2. In implementing the aforementioned restrictive measures, Order P.I. 262/2007 prohibits the transportation by Cyprus Ships to and from Iran, of the following items, materials, equipment, goods and technology, including software, whether or not originating in their territories:

- (a) items, materials, equipment, goods and technology contained in the Nuclear Supplies Group and Missile Technology Control Regime lists;
- (b) any additional items, materials, equipment, goods and technology, as determined by the Security Council or the Committee established pursuant to paragraph 18 of UNSC Resolution 1737(2006) (“the Committee”), which could contribute to enrichment –related reprocessing or heavy water –related activities, or to the development of nuclear weapon delivery systems;

3. The abovementioned prohibition shall not apply when the Committee determines in advance and on a case- by -case basis that such transportation , of items, materials, equipment, goods and technology, would clearly not contribute to the development of Iran’s technologies in support of its proliferation sensitive nuclear activities and of development of nuclear

¹ Order P.I. 262/2007 was published in the Official Gazette of the Republic No.4204, Supplement III(I) dated 22.06.2007)

weapon delivery systems, including where such items, materials, equipment, goods and technology are destined for food, agricultural, medical or other humanitarian purposes, provided that:

- (a) contracts for the delivery of the abovementioned items include appropriate end-user-guarantees; and
- (b) Iran has committed not to use the abovementioned items in proliferation of sensitive nuclear activities or for the development of nuclear weapons delivery systems.

4. The Owners, Managers and Masters of Cyprus Ships should strictly abide by the above Order and are reminded that, pursuant to Law 26/1966 as amended by Law 53/1971, contravention of Order P.I 262/2007 constitutes a criminal offence punishable with a sentence of imprisonment and fine.

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