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DEPARTMENT OF MERCHANT SHIPPING
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To all Owners, Managers
and Representatives
of Ships under the Cyprus Flag

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Subject: Implementation of EU Harmonising Legislation: The Reporting Formalities for Ships Arriving – Departing from Ports of the Republic Law of 2003

1. I refer to the above subject and wish to inform that the *Reporting Formalities for Ships Arriving – Departing from Ports of the Republic Law of 2003 (Law 155(I)/2003)* was enacted for the purposes of transposing into our national legislation the relevant European Union *Directive 2002/6/EC*.

The text of the above Community Directive is available on the European Union website at <http://europa.eu.int/eur-lex/> in “Legislation/ Directory of Community legislation in force in force/ Transport/ Shipping/ Maritime Safety”.

2. The *Reporting Formalities for Ships Arriving – Departing from Ports of the Republic Law of 2003* is now legally in force since the 1st of May 2004 (date of accession of the Republic of Cyprus to the EU), by virtue of a Decision of the Council of Ministers of the Republic (see P.I. 332/2004, published in the Official Gazette No. 3847, Supplement III(I), dated 30.04.2004).
3. This Law contains enforcement measures providing for penalties against ships that will be identified as not being in compliance with the provisions of the said Law.
4. Further details and requirements with regard to the effective implementation of this harmonising legislation will be communicated to you by a new Circular to be issued in the next few weeks.

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- Permanent Secretary, Planning Bureau
 - Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
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 - Cyprus Shipping Council
 - Cyprus Shipping Association
 - Union of Cypriot Shipowners
 - Cyprus Bar Association
 - Recognised Classification Societies

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