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DEPARTMENT OF MERCHANT SHIPPING  
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To the Cyprus Shipping Association

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

**Subject : Implementation of EU Harmonising Legislation : The Merchant Shipping (Port State Control ) Laws of 2001 - 2004 : *Adoption of The Merchant Shipping (Port State Control) First Notification of 2005* / English version available on the DMS Website**

1. I refer to the above subject and further to my previous Circulars No. 15/2004, No. 55/2004 , No. 9/2005 and No. 27/2005, I am pleased to inform you that pursuant to the provisions of the *Merchant Shipping (Port State Control ) Laws of 2001 and 2004 (Law 47(I)/2001 as amended by Law 27(I) of 2004)* , ***The Merchant Shipping (Port State Control) First Notification of 2005( P.I.256/2005)*** was issued under my hand and published in Greek in the Official Gazette of the Republic No. 3994, Supplement III (I), dated 20 May 2005.
2. Therefore, since 20 May 2005, port State control of foreign vessels in the ports of the Republic is conducted according to the provisions of this *First Notification of 2005*. Actually, *P.I. 256/2005* incorporates into the Cyprus legal order the detailed requirements contained in the twelve Annexes of EU Directive 95/21/EC of 19 June 1995 on Port State Control as amended<sup>1</sup>.

*P.I.256/2005* contains *twelve Schedules*, each one reflecting the twelve Annexes of the said EU Directive in the following manner :

- First Schedule* : Corresponds to Annex I of the Directive.
- Second Schedule* : Corresponds to Annex II of the Directive.
- Third Schedule* : Corresponds to Annex IV of the Directive.
- Fourth Schedule* : Corresponds to Annex V of the Directive.
- Fifth Schedule* : Corresponds to Annex XI of the Directive.
- Sixth Schedule* : Corresponds to Annex III of the Directive.
- Seventh Schedule* : Corresponds to Annex IX of the Directive.
- Eighth Schedule* : Corresponds to Annex VI of the Directive.

<sup>1</sup> As amended by Directive 98/25/EC , Directive 98/42/EC , 1999/97/EC , Directive 2001/106/EC, and Directive 2002/84/EC.

*Ninth Schedule* : Corresponds to Annex XII of the Directive.  
*Tenth Schedule* : Corresponds to Annex VII of the Directive.  
*Eleventh Schedule* : Corresponds to Annex VIII of the Directive.  
*Twelfth Schedule* : Corresponds to Annex X of the Directive.

3. The full text of the said *First Notification of 2005 (P.I. 256/2005)*, is now available in English in Acrobat Reader version at our Website : <http://www.shipping.gov.cy> (see Legislation / Consolidated Cyprus Shipping Legislation ( Full Text ) ).

Please note that the above mentioned text is an “unofficial” translation of the Notification into English , prepared by our Department .

In case a user , after consulting this new text of the legislation available on our Website, discovers any kind of error (eg. translation, typing, or editing errors) it will be much appreciated if he or she communicates the relevant observations /suggestions by e-mail to the address [legaleu@dms.mcw.gov.cy](mailto:legaleu@dms.mcw.gov.cy)

It is recalled that our Website contains also a *List of all Cyprus Legislation on Merchant Shipping and Related Matters* which is kept constantly updated.

4. Under the current process of the ISO 9001:2000 certification of this Department and in an effort to improve the services offered to the Cyprus maritime industry, our intention is to continuously update our Website with consolidated shipping legislation in full text version .Therefore, from now on, it is highly recommended that , the local shipping agents , as well as the owners, managers and representatives of all ships under the Cyprus flag regularly consult our Website for updating their information /records on Cyprus merchant shipping legislation .

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  - Cyprus Union of Shipowners
  - PEO Trade Union
  - SEK Trade Union
  - Cyprus Bar Association
  - Cyprus Association of Chartered Accountant
  - Recognized Classification Societies.