## MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND WORKS DEPARTMENT OF MERCHANT SHIPPING LEMESOS

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

Subject: The Cyprus Ships (Prohibition of Transportation ) (Amendment) Order 2002/ Implementation of the U.N. Security Council Resolution 1356 (2001) for Somalia.

- I refer to above subject and further to my Circular dated 9 June 1993, I wish to inform you that the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Cyprus in exercise of the powers vested in it by Section 3 of the Cyprus Ships Prohibition of Transportation Laws 1966-1971, adopted the Cyprus Ships (Prohibition of Transportation) Amending Order of 2002 (Published in the Official Gazette of the Republic No 3642, Supplement III(I), dated 11.10.2002, P.I. 474/2002).
- 2. The above Order in conformity with UN Security Council Resolution 1356(2001), amends Order P.I. No 135/93 by granting exemptions on the existing sanctions.

Therefore the present situation regarding Somalia is the following:

- a) The transportation by Cyprus Ships of military equipment and arms to any port of Somalia is prohibited .
- b) The above prohibitions shall not apply on protective clothing, including flak jackets and military helmets, that are exported temporarily to Somalia for the personal use only of the United Nations personnel, representatives of the media and of personnel who is dealing with humanitarian, developing or relevant works, as well as on supplies of non-lethal military equipment intended solely for humanitarian or protective use, provided that it has been approved in advance by the Committee of the United Nations Security Council which was established pursuant to resolution 751(1992).
- 3. Under Section 5 of the Cyprus Ships (Prohibition of Transportation) Laws 1966-1971, the Master as well as the owner of any Cyprus ship which, in contravention of any prohibition Order issued under section 3 of said Laws, transports any cargo or calls at prohibited ports, shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable to imprisonment for a term not exceeding two years or to a

fine not exceeding ten thousand pounds or to both such imprisonment and fine

The Owners and Masters of Cyprus Ships are advised to strictly abide by the above Order.

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