

REPUBLIC OF CYPRUS MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND WORKS



DEPARTMENT OF MERCHANT SHIPPING LEMESOS

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To all Registered owners, Registered bareboat charterers Managers and Representatives of ships flying the Cyprus Flag

To all Owners, Managers, Representatives and Agents in Cyprus of Ships, irrespective of flag they are flying, calling at Cyprus ports *c/o Cyprus Shipping Chamber c/o Cyprus Union of Shipowners c/o Cyprus Shipping Association* 

### Subject: - <u>New EU Council Decision 2014/265/CFSP and EU Council</u> <u>Implementing Regulation (EU) No. 477/2014 concerning restrictive</u> <u>measures due to the situation in Ukraine</u>

- 1. I refer to the above subject and I wish to inform you of the adoption by the European Union of the following instruments concerning restrictive measures in respect of actions undermining or threatening the territorial integrity, sovereignty and independence of Ukraine:
  - EU Council Decision 2014/265/CFSP of 12<sup>th</sup> May 2014 amending Decision 2014/145/CFSP;
  - EU Council Regulation (EU) No. 476/2014 of 12<sup>th</sup> May 2014 amending Regulation (EU) No. 269/2014;
  - EU Council Implementing Regulation (EU) No. 477/2014 of 12<sup>th</sup> May 2014 implementing Regulation (EU) No. 269/2014.
- 2. The impact of the aforesaid instruments is, inter alia, the inclusion in the list of targeted natural persons and entities which are subject to the freezing of assets and economic resources pursuant to Article 2 (1) of EU Council Decision 2014/145/CFSP and Article 2 of EU Council Regulation (EU) No. 269/2014, both as amended, of various natural persons and especially of the following two entities involved in the oil industry:

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The entities were designated on the basis that their assets were appropriated contrary to Ukrainian law by the 'Parliament of Crimea' on behalf of the 'Republic of Crimea', which the EU continues to not recognise as legitimate.

The entities are stated to have been "effectively confiscated by the Crimean 'authorities"".

- 3. As the above-mentioned entities may be eventually involved in shipping transactions, it is imperative that all recipients of the present Circular, check thoroughly the lists of persons and entities subject to the restrictive measures before entering into any transaction.
- 4. The text of the aforementioned European Union instruments may be found on <u>http://eur-lex.europa.eu</u>.

A regularly updated list of all the European Union restrictive measures in force can be found at <u>http://eeas.europa.eu/cfsp/sanctions/docs/measures\_en.pdf</u>

5. All recipients of the present Circular are invited to take note of its content and should strictly abide by the provisions of the aforementioned EU Instruments.

### This Circular must be placed on board vessels flying the Cyprus flag.

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