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To all Registered Owners, Registered Bareboat Charterers, Managers and Representatives of Ships flying the Cyprus Flag

To all holders of certificates of competency, certificates of proficiency and documentary evidences issued by Shipping Deputy Ministry

Subject: Urgent Provisional Measures for the operation of Cyprus ships during the Covid-19

I hereby inform you that due to the fact that the coronavirus outbreak still constitutes a public health emergency that prevents the normal operation of recognised training schools and assessment centres, certificates of competency, certificates of proficiency and documentary evidences issued by the Republic of Cyprus with expiration date between 01/03/2020 and 29/06/2021 shall be considered valid until 30/06/2021.

The Deputy Ministry will be at the disposal of Owners, Managers and anyone concerned with the matter for any explanations and clarifications they may require

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

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- Maritime Offices of the Deputy Ministry of Shipping abroad  
- Inspectors of Cyprus Ships  
- Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs  
- Diplomatic Missions and Honorary Consular Offices of the Republic  
- Cyprus Shipping Chamber  
- Cyprus Union of Ship-owners  
- Cyprus Master Mariners Association  
- Association of Merchant Marine Officers  
- Recognised maritime training schools  
- Trade Union SEK  
- Trade Union PEO  
- Cyprus Bar Association