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### SANCTIONS INFORMATION NOTICE

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: Additional UN and EU restrictive measures against the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK)**

1. I refer to the above subject and further to DMS Circulars No.6/2010, No. 13/2013, No. 18/2013, No.11/2016, No. 21/2016 and to Sanctions Information Notices SIN No. 1/2017, No. 4/2017, No. 8/2017, No. 13/2017, No. 14/2017 and No. 16/2017 I wish to inform you of the recent adoption of the following **additional** UN and EU restrictive measures against the Democratic People's Republic of Korea ("DPRK"), inter alia, for the purposes of giving effect to the new measures imposed by **United Nations Security Council Resolution (UNSCR) 2397 (2017)**;

- **UNSCR 2397 (2017)** dated 22 December 2017;
- **Council Decision (CFSP) 2018/293** of 26 February 2018 amending Decision (CFSP) 2016/849 concerning restrictive measures against the Democratic People's Republic of Korea;
- **Council Regulation (EU) 2017/2062** of 13 November 2017 amending Regulation (EU) 2017/1509 concerning restrictive measures against the Democratic People's Republic of Korea;
- **Council Regulation (EU) 2018/285** of 26 February 2018 amending Regulation (EU) 2017/1509 concerning restrictive measures against the Democratic People's Republic of Korea; and
- **Council Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/286** of 26 February 2018 implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/1509 concerning restrictive measures against the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.



2. The text of the United Nations Security Resolutions may be found on <http://www.un.org/Docs/sc/> whereas a regularly updated list of all the European Union restrictive measures may be found on the European Commission's website [https://eeas.europa.eu/sites/eeas/files/restrictive\\_measures-2017-01-17-clean.pdf](https://eeas.europa.eu/sites/eeas/files/restrictive_measures-2017-01-17-clean.pdf)
3. **UNSCR 2397 (2017)** and subsequently **Council Decision (CFSP) 2018/293** as well as **Council Regulation (EU) 2018/285** strengthen the current restrictive measures regime by introducing additional or updating and/or reinforcing existing measures as follows (*references to EU Council Decision (CFSP) 2016/849 shall mean EU Council Decision (CFSP) 2016/849 as lastly amended by Council Decision (CFSP) 2018/293 and references to Council Regulation (EU) 2017/1509 shall mean Council Regulation (EU) 2017/1509 as lastly amended by Council Regulation (EU) 2018/286*):

#### Sectoral measures

- by increasing existing restrictive measures in a number of sectors, including **crude oil and refined petroleum products** (*see paragraphs 4 and 5 of UNSCR 2397 (2017), Article 9 and 9b of EU Council Decision (CFSP) 2016/849 as well as Article 16d, e, f and g of Council Regulation (EU) 2017/1509*);
- by introducing new prohibitions in a number of sectors including with regard to the supply by the DPRK of **food and agricultural products, machinery, electrical equipment, earth and stone and wood** (*see paragraph 6 of UNSCR 2397 (2017), Article 9d of EU Council Decision (CFSP) 2016/849 as well as Article 16j, k, l, m, n and o of Council Regulation (EU) 2017/1509*);
- by introducing prohibitions on the supply to the DPRK of all **industrial machinery, transportation vehicles, and iron, steel and other metals** (*see paragraph 7 of UNSCR 2397 (2017), Article 9e of EU Council Decision (CFSP) 2016/849 as well as Article 16p of Council Regulation (EU) 2017/1509*).

#### Maritime measures

- by strengthening maritime measures to address the DPRK's illicit exports of coal and other prohibited items as well as illicit imports of petroleum through deceptive maritime practices by requiring Member States to **seize, inspect and impound** any vessel in their ports and territorial waters for involvement in prohibited activities. The provision ceases to apply if the UN Sanctions Committee decides, on a case-by-case basis, after six months of impounding a vessel that adequate arrangements have been made to prevent future violations of the relevant r Resolutions (*see paragraph 9 of UNSCR 2397 (2017) and Article 18b paragraphs (1) and (2) of EU Council Decision (CFSP) 2016/849*);
- by prohibiting, the provision of **insurance or re-insurance services** to and requiring Member States to **de-register** any vessels involved in illicit activities. The resolution further prohibits Member States from providing **classification services** to such vessels and expands the ban on the supply, sale or transfer of vessels to the DPRK to also include used vessels (*see paragraphs 11, 12 and 14 of UNSCR 2397 (2017), Article 18b paragraphs (3) to (7) and Article 21 of EU Council Decision (CFSP) 2016/849 as well as Article 43 and 44 of Council Regulation (EU) 2017/1509*);

- by requiring **mutual information – sharing** between Member States on suspected attempts by the DPRK to transfer or procure illicit cargo (see *paragraph 10 of UNSCR 2397 (2017) as well as Article 16(4) of EU Council Decision (CFSP) 2016/849*);
  - by requiring Member States to notify the UN Sanctions Committee of relevant **identifying information** as well as measures taken to carry out appropriate actions as authorized by the relevant provisions with regard to vessels in the Member States' territory or on the high seas designated as subject to the assets freeze, the port entry ban or other relevant measures (see *paragraph 15 of UNSCR 2397 (2017)*);
  - by reiterating provisions regarding the **seizure and disposal of prohibited cargo** (see *paragraph 20 of UNSCR 2397 (2017), Article 16(6) of EU Council Decision (CFSP) 2016/849*);
  - With respect to **work authorisations** the ban thereon for DPRK nationals is strengthened by requiring Member States to repatriate all DPRK nationals earning income within 24 months from 22 December 2017 (see *paragraph 8 of UNSCR 2397 (2017) as well as Article 26 a of EU Council Decision (CFSP) 2016/849*)
4. With respect to **Council Regulation (EU) 2017/2062**, what is worth mentioning is that the list of **luxury goods**, set out in Annex VIII of Regulation (EU) 2017/1509, subject to the prohibition clause, has been updated.
5. Moreover, under the aforementioned instruments the following vessels have been included in the **lists of vessels prohibited entry into ports** as set out in Annex IV of Decision (CFSP) 2016/849 as well as in Annex XIV of Regulation (EU) 2017/1509:
1. **Name: PETREL 8 (IMO: 9562233)**
  2. **Name: HAO FAN 6 (IMO: 8628597)**
  3. **Name: TONG SAN 2 (IMO: 8937675)**
  4. **Name: JIE SHUN (IMO: 8518780)**
  5. **Name: BILLIONS NO. 18 (IMO: 9191773)**
  6. **Name: UL JI BONG 6 (IMO: 9114555)**
  7. **Name: RUNG RA 2 (IMO: 9020534)**
  8. **Name: RYE SONG GANG 1 (IMO: 7389704)**
6. It is recalled that the House of Representatives of the Republic of Cyprus, has enacted in April 2016 the *Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Security Council Resolutions or Decisions (Sanctions) and the European Union Council Decisions and Regulations (Restrictive Measures) Law of 2016 (Law 58(I)/2016)*.<sup>1</sup> The purpose of Law 58(I)/2016 is to set out the obligations of any person or entity in the Republic of Cyprus to abide and comply with all the provisions

<sup>1</sup> Published in the Official Gazette of the Republic of Cyprus No. 4564, Supplement I (I) dated 25/4/2016.

of the UNSCRs and /or the relevant EU Decisions and Regulations. Under this Law all UN and EU instruments are incorporated and adopted into the national legal order without the need of enacting Prohibition Orders (as was the practice in the past years), and are thus automatically applicable and binding.

For further information on this Law, as well as information on the relevant penalties please refer to our DMS Circular No. 16/2016.

7. All recipients of the present Sanctions Information Notice are invited to take note of its content and should strictly abide by the provisions of the relevant UN Instruments and EU Instruments as well as the national Prohibition Order P.I. 228/2016 and the DMS Circulars and Sanctions Information Notices.

**This Sanctions Information Notice must be placed on board vessels flying the Cyprus flag.**



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