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DEPARTMENT OF MERCHANT SHIPPING LEMESOS

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Tonnage Tax Companies

Owners of Ships under Foreign Flag, Charterers, and Ship Managers operating in the Republic of Cyprus

Members of the Cyprus Shipping Chamber c/o CSC Members of the Cyprus Union of Shipowners c/o CUS

Subject: Cyprus Tonnage Tax System (Law 44(I)/2010): Flags which appear on the Grey List and Black List of the Paris MOU for the Fiscal Year 2012

As provided by sections 17(2), 27(2) and 40(2) of the Law 44(I)/2010 and on the basis of the relevant tables contained in the Annual report of the Paris MOU for the year 2011, the Acting Director of the Department of Merchant Shipping has decided that the flags appearing in Annex I are included in the Grey List of the Paris MOU and flags appearing in Annex II are included in the Black List of the Paris MOU.

It is recalled that, as provided by sections 17(1), 27(1) and 40(1) of the Law, Qualifying <u>non-Community</u> ships shall have their annual tonnage tax increased:

- (a) by thirty per cent (30%) if the flag they are entitled to fly appears in the Grey List of the Paris MOU;
- (b) by sixty per cent (60%) if the flag they are entitled to fly appears in the Black List of the Paris MOU.

As provided by section 34(4) of the Law, ships under management (Community and non-Community ships), flying a flag which appears in the Black List of the Paris MOU, shall be deemed to fulfil the requirements of section 34(1), i.e. to comply with international and Community standards, only if the technical and crew management of every such ship is <u>entirely</u> performed from the territory of any Member State. In case of non-compliance with the above, the provisions of section 54 of the Law shall apply.



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ANNEX I

Grey List of the Paris MOU to be used for the fiscal year 2012

- 1. Algeria
- 2. Belize
- 3. Bulgaria
- 4. Curacao
- 5. Egypt
- 6. India
- 7. Jamaica
- 8. Kazakhstan
- 9. Malaysia
- 10. Mongolia
- 11. Morocco
- 12. Saudi Arabia
- 13. Slovakia
- 14. St. Vincent and the Grenadines
- 15. Switzerland
- 16. Thailand
- 17. Tunisia
- 18. Tuvalu
- 19. United States of America
- 20. Viet Nam

ANNEX II

Black List of the Paris MOU to be used for the fiscal year 2012

- 1. Albania
- 2. Azerbaijan
- 3. Bolivia
- 4. Cambodia
- 5. Comoros
- 6. Dominica
- 7. Georgia
- 8. Honduras
- 9. Lebanon
- 10. Libyan Arab Jamahiriya
- 11. Moldova, Republic of
- 12. Montenegro
- 13. Sierra Leone
- 14. St Kitts and Nevis
- 15. Syrian Arab Republic
- 16. Tanzania United Rep.
- 17. Togo
- 18. Ukraine