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

Subject: New website of the Department of Merchant Shipping

I wish to inform you that the Department of Merchant Shipping has recently launched its new website. The new version of the website provides easier access to information needed, through a more user-friendly and functional environment. The information provided has also been updated and enriched with the addition of new sections devoted to Maritime Safety, Marine Environment Protection and Marine Accidents. Furthermore, in the *eServices* section one can find the electronic services that are currently offered by the Department, such as online payments and electronic access to information related to seafarers' certificates.

In addition to the English version of the website, part of the Greek version is also released; however, its complete version is still in the process of development.

Please note that the address of the website remains the same (www.shipping.gov.cy). The previous version of the website will be available until 31.3.2009 and can be accessed through a link provided in the home page of the new website.

I am sure that you will find the Department's new website a useful tool for your activities. We are at your disposal for any additional information or suggestions you may have.

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