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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: New European Union restrictive measures in view of the gravity of the situation in Ukraine**

1. I refer to the above subject and further to SDM Circulars No.10/2014, No. 21/2014, No. 23/2014 and to Sanctions Information Notices (SINs) No. 15/2017, No.7/2018, No.1/2022, No.2/2022, No.4/2022, No.5/2022, No.7/2022 & No.8/2022, I wish to inform you of the recent adoption of the following additional European Union restrictive measures in view of the gravity of the situation in Ukraine reflected in new legal acts adopted on 21 July 2022 (7<sup>th</sup> Package of restrictive measures):

***I. European Union restrictive measures amending Council Decision 2014/145/CFSP concerning restrictive measures in respect of actions undermining or threatening the territorial integrity, sovereignty and independence of Ukraine:***

**• Council Decision (CFSP) 2022/1272<sup>1</sup> of 21 July 2022:**

This Decision adds 48 persons and 9 entities to the list of persons, entities and bodies subject to restrictive measures set out in the Annex to Decision 2014/145/ CFSP.

This Decision also introduces **derogations**<sup>2</sup> from the asset freeze and the prohibition to make funds and economic resources available:

- i. to designated persons and entities because of human health and safety or the environment;

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<sup>1</sup> <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32022D1272&from=EN>

<sup>2</sup> Article 2 of Decision 2014/145/CFSP as amended.



- ii. to designated banks in order to avoid disruptions in the payment channels for agricultural products;
- iii. for the orderly wind-down of operations, including correspondent banking relations, with one designated bank.

- **Council Decision (CFSP) 2022/1276<sup>3</sup> of 21 July 2022:**

This Decision adds six individuals and one entity involved in the recruitment of Syrian mercenaries to fight in Ukraine alongside Russian troops to the list of persons, entities and bodies subject to restrictive measures set out in the Annex to Decision 2014/145/CFSP.

## **II. *European Union restrictive measures implementing Council Regulation (EU) No 269/2014 concerning restrictive measures in respect of actions undermining or threatening the territorial integrity, sovereignty and independence of Ukraine:***

- **Council Implementing Regulation (EU) 2022/1270<sup>4</sup> of 21 July 2022:**

This Regulation adds 48 persons and 9 entities responsible for actions undermining or threatening the territorial integrity, sovereignty and independence of Ukraine to the list of natural and legal persons, entities and bodies subject to restrictive measures set out in Annex I to Regulation (EU) No 269/2014.

- **Council Regulation (EU) 2022/1273<sup>5</sup> of 21 July 2022:**

This Regulation introduces amendments to Council Regulation (EU) No 269/2014 in order to take regulatory action at the level of the Union to implement the amendments adopted by Decision (CFSP) 2022/1272 as analysed above.

This Regulation also introduces obligations to designated persons and entities with assets within the jurisdiction of a Member State to **report these assets<sup>6</sup>** and to **cooperate with the competent authority in the verification of this reporting.** **Failure to respect this obligation** would constitute a circumvention of the freezing of

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<sup>3</sup> <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32022D1276&from=EN>.

<sup>4</sup> <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32022R1270&from=EN>.

<sup>5</sup> <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32022R1273&from=EN>.

<sup>6</sup> Paragraphs 1 to 3 of new Article 9 read as follows:

**“Article 9**

1. *It shall be prohibited to participate, knowingly and intentionally, in activities the object or effect of which is to circumvent the measures referred to in Article 2.*

2. **Natural or legal persons, entities or bodies listed in Annex I, shall:**

- (a) **report before 1 September 2022 or within 6 weeks from the date of listing in Annex I, whichever is latest, funds or economic resources within the jurisdiction of a Member State belonging to, owned, held or controlled by them, to the competent authority of the Member State where those funds or economic resources are located; and**
- (b) *cooperate with the competent authority in any verification of such information.*

3. *Failure to comply with paragraph 2 shall be considered as participation, as referred to in paragraph 1, in activities the object or effect of which is to circumvent the measures referred to in Article 2.”*

assets and **would be subject to penalties**. Member States shall **exchange** relevant information<sup>7</sup>.

- **Council Implementing Regulation (EU) 2022/1274<sup>8</sup> of 21 July 2022:**

This Regulation adds six individuals and one entity involved in the recruitment of Syrian mercenaries to fight in Ukraine alongside Russian troops to the list of natural and legal persons, entities and bodies subject to restrictive measures set out in Annex I to Regulation (EU) No 269/2014.

### **III. European Union restrictive measures amending Council Decision 2014/512/CFSP concerning restrictive measures in view of Russia's actions destabilising the situation in Ukraine:**

- **Council Decision (CFSP) 2022/1271<sup>9</sup> of 21 July 2022:**

This Decision introduces further restrictive measures which include the following:

- a. Extension of the port access ban to locks

New Article 4ha inter alia:

- extends the access to ports prohibition, after 29 July 2022, to locks in the territory of the Union, to any vessel registered under the flag of Russia**, with the exception of access to locks for the purpose of leaving the territory of the Union;

- amends the derogation in paragraph 5 with respect to **locks**;

- adds a new paragraph 5a providing that **the competent authorities may authorise vessels that have changed their Russian flag or their registration, to the flag or register of any other State prior to 16 April 2022, to access a port or a lock**, after having determined that:

- (a) a Russian flag or registration was required by contract; and

- (b) the access is necessary for the unloading of goods strictly necessary for the completion of renewable energy projects in the Union, provided that the import of such goods is not otherwise prohibited under this Decision.

- b. Prohibition of the direct or indirect import, purchase or transfer of gold

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<sup>7</sup> New paragraph 4 of Article 8 provides as follows:

*"4. The competent authorities of the Member States, including enforcement authorities and administrators of official registers **wherein natural persons, legal persons, entities and bodies as well as immovable or movable property are registered, shall process and exchange information including personal data, with other competent authorities of the Member States and the Commission.**"*

A similar provision is contained in Council Regulation (EU) No 833/2014 as amended by Council Regulation (EU) 2022/1269.

<sup>8</sup> <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32022R1274&from=EN>.

<sup>9</sup> <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32022D1271&from=EN>.

New **Article 4q** provides that It shall be **prohibited to purchase, import, or transfer, directly or indirectly:**

1. **gold** if it originates in Russia and it has been exported from Russia **into the Union or to any third country after 22 July 2022.**
2. **products processed in a third country incorporating the product prohibited in paragraph 1.**
3. **gold jewellery** if it originates in Russia and it has been exported from Russia into the Union after 22 July 2022.

In addition, it shall be prohibited to provide technical assistance, brokering services, financing or financial assistance, manufacture, maintenance or other services related to the goods referred to in paragraphs 1, 2 and 3.

The aforementioned prohibitions are **subject to exceptions**<sup>10</sup>.

c. Other measures introduced by Council Decision (CFSP) 2022/1271

Council Decision (CFSP) 2022/1271 inter alia:

- expands the scope of the **prohibition on accepting deposits** and subjects the acceptance of deposits **for non-prohibited cross-border trade** to a prior authorisation by the national competent authorities<sup>11</sup>;
- adds **certain entries to the lists of legal persons, entities and bodies** set out in Annex IV of Decision 2014/512/CFSP;
- clarifies the **scope of the prohibition on public procurement**;
- introduces an exemption from the prohibition to enter into any transactions with Russian public entities where this is **necessary to ensure access to judicial, administrative or arbitral proceedings**<sup>12</sup>;
- extends the exemption from the prohibition to engage in **transactions with certain State-owned entities as regards transactions for agricultural products and the supply of oil and petroleum products** to third countries<sup>13</sup>;
- clarifies that the Union measures do not prevent third countries and their nationals operating outside of the Union from **purchasing pharmaceutical or medical products from Russia**<sup>14</sup>.

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<sup>10</sup> The prohibitions shall not apply to:

- gold which is necessary for the official purposes of diplomatic missions, consular posts or international organisations in Russia enjoying immunities in accordance with international law.
- gold jewellery for personal use of natural persons travelling to the European Union or members of their immediate families travelling with them, owned by those individuals and not intended for sale.

Moreover, the competent authorities may authorise the transfer or import of cultural goods which are on loan in the context of formal cultural cooperation with Russia.

<sup>11</sup> New Article 1b of Decision 2014/512/CFSP as amended.

<sup>12</sup> New Article 1aa of Decision 2014/512/CFSP as amended.

<sup>13</sup> New Article 1aa of Decision 2014/512/CFSP as amended.

<sup>14</sup> New Article 1aa of Decision 2014/512/CFSP as amended.

**IV. European Union restrictive measures amending Council Regulation (EU) No 833/2014 concerning restrictive measures in view of Russia's actions destabilising the situation in Ukraine:**

- **Council Regulation (EU) 2022/1269<sup>15</sup> of 21 July 2022:**

This Regulation introduces amendments to Council Regulation (EU) No 833/2014 in order to take regulatory action at the level of the Union to implement the amendments adopted by Decision (CFSP) 2022/1271 **as analysed above**.

2. A regularly updated list of all the European Union restrictive measures may be found on the website of the Official Journal of the European Union (<https://eur-lex.europa.eu/oj/direct-access.html>) and on the **EU Sanctions Map** (<https://www.sanctionsmap.eu/#/main>).

In addition, the "European Union Consolidated Financial Sanctions List", regularly updated by DG FISMA, may be found on below link

<https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/europeaid/fsd/fsf/public/files/pdfFullSanctionsList/content?token=dG9rZW4tMjAxNw> .

**In view of the gravity of the situation in Ukraine, it is stressed that, the relevant restrictive measures are subject to constant review by the European Union thus, it is advisable to regularly consult the aforementioned links.**

3. Furthermore, additional information may be found on the **specialised link** created on the SDM website titled "Information in view of the gravity of the situation in Ukraine": (<https://www.dms.gov.cy/dms/shipping.nsf/all/75954F9E737CE2DCC225880E00321DEB?opendocument>).
4. All recipients of this Sanctions Information Notice are invited to take note of its content and should strictly abide by the provisions of *The Implementation of the Provisions of the U.N. Security Council Resolutions or Decisions (Sanctions) and the E.U. Council Decisions and Regulations (Restrictive Measures) Law of 2016 (Law 58(I)/2016)*, as well as the EU Instruments implemented by virtue thereof, and SDM Sanctions Information Notices.

**This Sanctions Information Notice, which is intended solely as a guidance document, must be placed on board vessels flying the Cyprus flag.**



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<sup>15</sup> <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32022R1269&from=EN>

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