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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 2016

As provided by sections 17(2), 27(2) and 40(2) of Law 44(I)/2010 and on the basis of the relevant tables contained in the Annual Report of the Paris MOU for the year 2015, 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 said Law, Qualifying non-Community 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 entirely performed from the territory of any EU/EEA Member State. In case of non-compliance with the above, the provisions of section 54 of the Law shall apply.

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- Commissioner of Taxation, Tax Department
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- Cyprus Bar Association
- Institute of Certified Public Accountants of Cyprus

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ANNEX I

Grey List of the Paris MOU to be used for the fiscal year 2016

1. Albania
2. Algeria
3. Bulgaria
4. Curacao
5. Egypt
6. Georgia
7. India
8. Jamaica
9. Kuwait
10. Lebanon
11. Libya
12. Lithuania
13. Malaysia
14. Mongolia
15. Morocco
16. Poland
17. Slovakia
18. Switzerland
19. Syrian Arab Republic
20. Thailand
21. Tunisia
22. Tuvalu
23. Ukraine
24. Vanuatu
25. Viet Nam

ANNEX II

Black List of the Paris MOU to be used for the fiscal year 2016

1. Azerbaijan
2. Belize
3. Bolivia
4. Cambodia
5. Comoros
6. Dominica
7. Honduras
8. Moldova, Republic of
9. Montenegro
10. Sierra Leone
11. St. Kitts and Nevis
12. St. Vincent and the Grenadines
13. Tanzania, United Republic of
14. Togo