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**PORTS AND YACHTING DIRECTORATE**

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### **Fitting of Structures on Saint Elmo and Ricasoli Breakwater Lighthouses, Grand Harbour - Valletta**

The Ports and Yachting Directorate, Transport Malta notifies that the St Elmo and Ricasoli lighthouses at the bullnose of the breakwaters, will be fitted with a green (starboard) and red (port) structures. These metal and glass structures will be transported by a barge and will be lifted and positioned on location by the vessel's crane. Therefore the operation requires very good sea conditions.

These structures will be placed on the first weather permitting opportunity after the 1 of October 2012. The exact day will be announced and communicated by the Valletta VTS (Valletta Port Control) on VHF Channel 12 one (1) day prior the commencement of the operation.

Masters and vessel operators are advised that on the first weather permitting day following the 1 October 2012 from 0700 hours onwards no vessel will be allowed to leave/enter Marsamxett Harbour and Grand Harbour, except by special permission from the Ports and Yachting Directorate, as the wake of a moving vessel would hinder the safe execution of this operation.

Masters of all vessels and craft are therefore advised to keep a constant watch on channel 12 for any new information which will be advised by Valletta VTS (Valletta Port Control)

Chart Affected: BA 177