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**The Marigold Foundation – Swimming event between Zonqor Point and The Grand Harbour**

The Ports and Yachting Directorate, Transport Malta notifies that The Marigold Foundation will be organising a swimming event in aid of the Special Olympics and The Marigold Foundation on Saturday 25 June 2016 between Marsascula (Zonqor Point) and The Grand Harbour (Taht iz-Ziemel).

Participants will depart from Zonqor Point between 1200 hrs and 1600 hrs, swim towards the Grand Harbour and expected to arrive Taht iz-Ziemel between 1600 hrs and 1900 hrs.

Distance from shore en route will be 100m and 300m.

Mariners are informed that due to the above, port closure will be in force for a short duration anytime between 1500 hrs and 1900 hrs. The exact time and duration will be advised at the commencement of the event. Port movements will be coordinated by VTS with the assistance of the TM Maritime Enforcement Unit.

Support vessels will accompany the participating swimmers and will be listening on VHF Channel 13.

Mariners are advised to keep a sharp lookout and navigate at slow speed and keep well clear of the area during the stipulated time giving the swimmers a wide berth. They are to obey any instructions issued by Valletta Port Control (Valletta VTS) on VHF Channel 12, Police, Patrol boats and Transport Malta Enforcement that will be in the area.

Charts affected: BA 211A, 2537 and 2538