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## Removal of disused cable from seabed in II-Bajja ta' San Pawl

The Ports and Yachting Directorate, Transport Malta, notifies mariners and operators of vessels, that a part of the disused submarine cable in II-Bajja ta' San Pawl will be removed.

The removal operation will start on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2020 and is expected to be completed by Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2020. The works will be carried out within the A, B, C and D as shown hatched on attached chart:

POINT	LATITUDE (N)	LONGITUDE (E)
Α	35°57'.014	014°23'.873
В	35°57'.267	014°23'.816
С	35°57'.425	014°24'.560
D	35°57'.186	014°24'.585

Divers with floating buoys will be engaged to cut the said cable in pieces and lift them using airbags to the surface, these pieces will then be taken by rubber boats away and shifted to land. The rubber boats 'DRAGO' and 'FRANK' will be assisting the divers and shifting the cable pieces, they will be displaying the International Code Flag "A" and will be lit during the night.

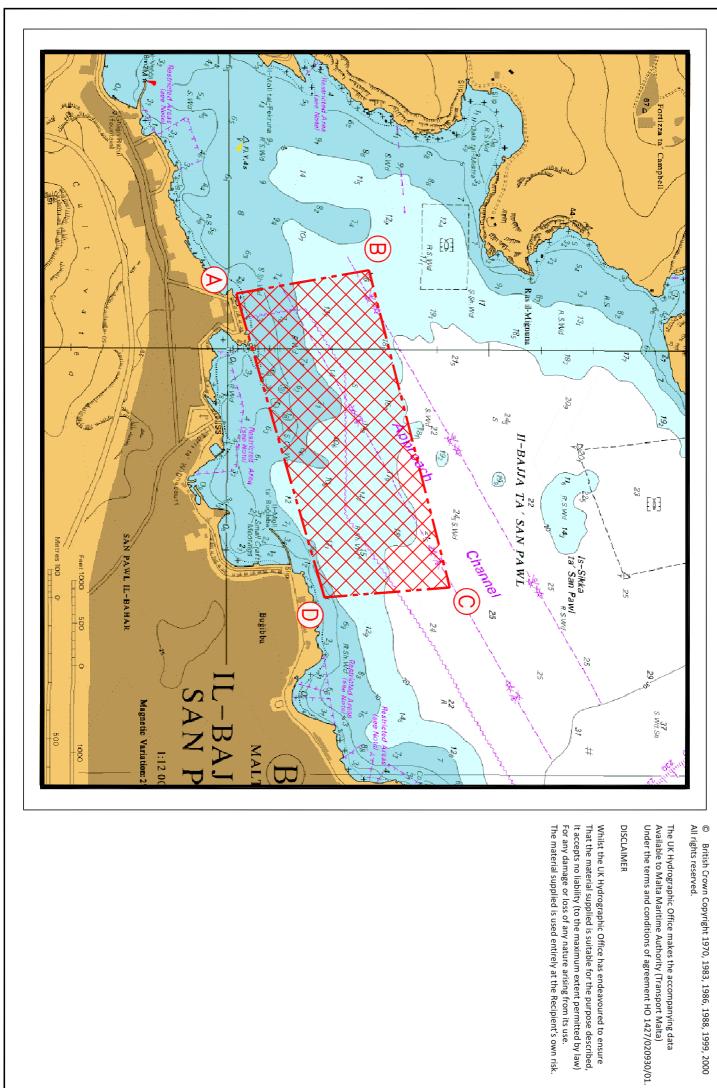
The boats 'DRAGO' and 'FRANK' will be restricted in manoeuvrability.

Mariners are advised to navigate with caution at slow speed and give a wide berth when in the vicinity they are to keep out of the above-mentioned area.

Mariners and vessel operators are to comply with instructions and directions issued by Valletta Port Control (Valletta VTS) on VHF Channel 12.

Chart affected: BA 211B, 211A

Positions referred to WGS 84 DATUM.



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