





Merchant Shipping Directorate



RESTRICTIVE MEASURES IN RESPONSE TO THE SITUATION IN UKRAINE

Merchant Shipping Notice 178

Notice to Shipowners, Ship Operators, Managers, Masters, Owners' Representatives and Recognised Organisations

The Merchant Shipping Directorate wishes to bring to the attention of all concerned the new package of restrictive measures adopted by the Council of the European Union to respond to actions undermining or threatening the territorial integrity, sovereignty and independence of Ukraine.

Within the existing framework for sanctions, the restrictive measures have been extended to cover additional individuals and entities. Restrictive measures include an asset freeze and a prohibition from making funds available to the listed individuals and entities. In addition, a travel ban applicable to the listed persons prevents these from entering or transiting through EU territory.

The new measures also introduce an import ban on goods from the non-government controlled areas of the Donetsk and Luhansk oblasts of Ukraine, restrictions on trade and investments related to certain economic sectors, a prohibition to supply tourism services, and an export ban for certain goods and technologies. In terms of financial restrictions, the measures introduce a sectoral prohibition to finance the Russian Federation, its government and Central Bank.

To this effect, all those concerned, including owners of ships registered in Malta, shipping organisations established in Malta or operating Maltese ships and masters of Maltese ships are strongly advised to comply at all times with these measures and to extend their full cooperation for their effective enforcement.

The shipping community is reminded without prejudice that the use of Maltese ships in any such violation may be considered as being against the interest of Malta and of Maltese shipping and may lead, inter alia, to closure of the registry.

The relevant legal acts, including the names of the persons and entities concerned, are available on the EU Official Journal.

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