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Note verbale dated 8 December 2017 from the Permanent Mission of Greece to the United Nations addressed to the Chair of the Committee

The Permanent Mission of Greece to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Chair of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1718 (2006) and has the honour to provide information about the national measures taken with a view to implementing the provisions of Security Council resolution 2375 (2017) (see annex).





Annex to the note verbale dated 8 December 2017 from the Permanent Mission of Greece to the United Nations addressed to the Chair of the Committee

Report of Greece on the implementation of Security Council resolution 2375 (2017)

According to Law 92/1967 on the implementation of Security Council resolutions, any resolution, based on Article 41 of the Charter of the United Nations, that is mandatory for Member States in accordance with Article 25 of the Charter: (a) is published in the Official Gazette by a decision of the Minister for Foreign Affairs and; (b) is implemented by virtue of a presidential decree. Such a decree may further specify the prohibitions provided for in the resolution and the measures that are necessary for its implementation. Any violation of the provisions of such a decree is subject to imprisonment of a term of up to five years or a fine, or both.

With regard to Security Council resolution 2375 (2017), Ministerial Decision No. F4980/AS54068/23.10.2017 was issued and published in the Official Gazette and the issuance of the relevant Presidential Decree is under way.

Moreover, the Bank of Greece has issued the relevant instructions to all Greek banking institutions, in order for them to implement the provisions of resolution 2375 (2017)

For its part, the Anti-Money Laundering and Counter-Terrorism Financing Authority has notified all concerned Greek entities of the adoption of resolution 2375 (2017) and instructed them to strictly implement the sanctions contained therein. More specifically, the Financial Sanctions Unit, which, together with the Financial Intelligence Unit, constitutes part of the Authority and is responsible for freezing the assets of, as well as prohibiting the provision of financial services to, natural and legal persons and entities that are designated for any reason by resolutions of the Security Council (or its competent organs) or by regulations or decisions of the European Union, has notified all obliged persons referred to in article 5 of Law 3691/2008 (including banks and various kinds of financial institution), as applicable, about the above-mentioned resolution (as well as the relevant regulations and/or decisions) and has demanded a thorough investigation for the detection of assets of any nature belonging to the designated persons or entities

Additionally, the Ministry of Economy and Development/Directorate for Trade Coordination and Trade Regimes, the Greek customs authorities, as well as the Greek coast guard authorities via the Ministry of Maritime Affairs and Insular Policy, have been advised as to the provisions of resolution 2375 (2017).

The Hellenic Chamber of Shipping and the Union of Greek Shipowners have also been advised as to the provisions of resolution 2375 (2017).

These measures are complementary to and reinforce those already in place under resolutions 1695 (2006), 1718 (2006), 1874 (2009), 2087 (2013), 2094 (2013), 2270 (2016), 2321 (2016), 2356 (2017) and 2371 (2017).

Greece, as a member State of the European Union, is bound by Council Decision (CFSP) 2017/1838 of 10 October 2017, amending Decision (CFSP) 2016/849 concerning restrictive measures against the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, and Council Regulation (EU) 2017/1836 of 10 October 2017, amending Regulation (EC) 2017/1509 concerning restrictive measures against the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, which were adopted with a view to implementing the United Nations sanctions against the Democratic People's Republic of Korea introduced under resolution 2375 (2017).