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**To:**

**“MINOAN LINES A.N.E.”**

**Re. : Your Agreement Letter No.:ΝΤ5982/14-12-09**

***URGENT***

Sirs,

We would like to inform you that our Union’s Administration members joined on board of your company’s Ro-Ro/Passenger ships “Cruise Olympia” and “Cruise Europa” as well, at port of Patras on 14th and 16th of September 2017 accordingly.

However, we regret to inform you that during a.m. visit, we found out following:

* 30% of Ro-Ro/Passenger ship “Cruise Olympia” hotel staff, was signed-off against their will, with the non-valid excuse that “a significant reduce of passengers has been noticed, tending to reach winter levels”.
* As far as Ro-Ro/Passenger ship “Cruise Europa” concerns, half of our hotel staff colleagues, were prevented from signing-off only upon our intervention.

According to your document NT5982/14-12-09, you have confirmed the agreement between PNO and your company, concerning your vessels’ crew synthesis *“during winter and summer while being under Italian Flag, with Greek seamen on board»*, including hotel staff as well.

Also besides a.m clearly stated and distinct contractual obligation of yours, claiming a significant reduces of passengers, is not valid at all. On the contrary, summer increased crew synthesis should remain as it has been agreed and should also consider to be an imperative necessity at least until 15th October 2017 (included), since extreme overtimes have been noticed leading to MLC Convention / Regulation circumvention.

Therefore, we ask you to keep the bilateral agreement, in order to avoid future actions and arrangements that will cause agreement’s violation.

**On behalf of PEATHEN Administration**

**President General Secretary**

**Elefterios Saridakis Anastasios Alexakis**