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Dear Sir/Madam

Port Security Regulations 2009 - Consultation on the draft Designation Orders for the Ports of: Barrow, Cardiff, Cromarty Firth, Fowey, Oban, Peterhead, Plymouth, Shoreham and Troon ("the Listed Ports") – DfT 2013-12

The Port Security Regulations 2009 came into force on 1 September 2009. They brought the EC Directive on enhancing port security (65/2005/EC) into force in UK legislation.

Before the regulations can take effect within a port area, the Department for Transport needs to define the port boundary within which the regulations are effective and designate the relevant Port Security Authority (PSA) for the port.

We are seeking your views on the draft Designation Orders (DO's) for the above ports through the consultation (ref. DfT 2013-12) that will very shortly be published on the Department's website at the above address. The consultation document also incorporates a Consultation Stage Impact Assessment (IA). The IA in fact covers the 20 remaining ports considered in scope of the Directive to be consulted on in several tranches: references to the Listed Ports in the current tranche have been highlighted yellow in the IA for ease of reference.

The ports of Barrow and Cardiff (including Newport and Barry) are being consulted on for the second time as improved Port Security Authority (**PSA**) boundary plans are annexed to their respective Designation Orders. An Addendum to the previous consultation (DfT 2012-40 which ran from 19 November 2012 to 4 January 2013) was issued on 18 December to consultees advising that replacement plans would be issued for Barrow and Newport. Responses to the previous consultation in respect of these two ports will be considered alongside any comments arising from the current consultation.

The consultation will close on 16 August 2013

Responses and any questions or comments should be sent to the following e-mail address: MARITIMESECURITY@dft.gsi.gov.uk. **Please quote "Port Security Directive DfT-2013-12" and the name of the relevant port(s) on which you are commenting in the subject box.** An optional Consultation Response Document has been uploaded with the consultation document on the Department's website.

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Alternatively responses may be sent by post to Caroline Wall at the above address.
Paper copies of the consultation documentation are also available on request.

Yours faithfully

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