

UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL SANCTIONS AGAINST RWANDA

On the 17 May, 1994 the United Nations Security Council adopted Resolution 918(1994) imposing sanctions against Rwanda. Paragraph 13 thereof is of particular interest in respect of Maltese ships and is being reproduced hereunder;

Extract from United Nations Security Council Resolution 918(1994):

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13. ***Decides that all states shall prevent the sale or supply to Rwanda by their nationals or from their territories or using their flag vessels or aircraft of arms and related material of all types, including weapons and ammunition, military vehicles and equipment, paramilitary police equipment and spare parts;***

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Malta is bound to observe these sanctions and violations thereto or lack of co-operation with the relative authorities will be viewed very seriously. Furthermore, the use of a Maltese ship 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 registry not only of such ship but also of other ships under the same ownership, or managed and/or operated by the same managers and/or operators.

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