

Meteorological Support to the Multinational Exercise in Search and Rescue **“ARGONAUT 2018”**

The Department of Meteorology (DM) is the provider of all information and data akin to the meteorological conditions prevailing in the sea area of the Eastern Mediterranean and the Nicosia Flight Information Region (FIR), including real time weather briefing, weather nowcasting and forecasting, as well as issuing of alerts and warnings pertaining to severe and dangerous weather. Within this context the DM has been ever-present as a contributing factor, since 2004, in all national and multinational exercises in Search and Rescue, launched by the Cyprus Joint Rescue Coordination Center.

This year, within the framework of the multinational exercise “ARGONAUT 2018”, on the 23rd May, the DM made especially available one of its officers for the briefing and updating of the participating captains and crews, on the existing meteorological and sea conditions, as well as, the forecasted weather for all areas of activity of the Exercise. The meteorological support to “ARGONAUT 2018” was concerned with both the daily as well as the nightly scenarios of the Exercise and was provided to all participating teams, whether at sea or in-flight.

