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2. HISTORY

2.1. BRIEF EVENT HISTORY

The beautiful holiday island of Cyprus has a unique role in international motorsport, forging a link between the FIA's World and Middle East Rally Championships by hosting an official round of each.

The WRC rally is, unsurprisingly, the event which attracts the most international media attention, placing Cyprus in the forefront of the cut-and-thrust of modern motorsport.

But since its inception in 2000, the Troodos Rally has provided rallying thrills and spills to match its more illustrious cousin, as well as providing an excellent opportunity for local and regional talent to shine. An official round of the FIA Middle East Rally Championship (or MERC, as it's more commonly known), the Troodos Rally is held every autumn and sees many of the region's best drivers arrive in Cyprus for a weekend battling it out on the challenging roads and tracks of the island's major mountain range.

Typically held late in the MERC calendar, the Troodos Rally has often proven vital in the quest for the championship title, with many a campaign won or lost in the Cyprus sunshine.

Attracting exceptional talent from Cyprus and the region, the event has proven a popular event, with local drivers such as Andreas Tsouloftas and Andreas Peratikos both taking victory here. The two most recent events were won by Qatar's Nasser Al-Attiyah.

Like the WRC Cyprus Rally, the Troodos Rally is considered one of the toughest events in its championship, with the punishing stages proving a real test of man and machine. Attrition rates are often high, with the 2004 event seeing just 13 of 37 teams finishing!

As a result, the event is often unpredictable and capable of providing surprises, making the event that much more exciting for fans and that much more challenging for the competitors.

The 2005 Troodos Rally is set to take place between the 7th and 9th October, with a new rally headquarters in the coastal town of Larnaka.

2.2. PREVIOUS WINNERS

YEAR	POS	DRIVER/CODRIVER	NAT	CAR
2002	1	Andreas Peratikos / Nikitas Stavrinou	Cyp	Mitsubishi Lancer EVO 6
	2	Chris Armeftis / Petropoulos	Cyp/Gre	Mitsubishi Lancer EVO 7
	3	Misfer Al-Marri / Adel Hussein	Qat	Mitsubishi Lancer EVO 6
2003	1	Nasser Al -Attiyah / Steve Lancaster	Qat/Gbr	Subaru Impreza WRC
	2	Andreas Tsouloftas / Savvas Laos	Cyp	Mitsubishi Lancer EVO 6
	3	Rami Shiohatovich / Michael Michael	Isr/Cyp	Mitsubishi Lancer EVO 6
2004	1	Nasser Al -Attiyah / Chris Patterson	Qat/Gbr	Subaru Impreza WRX STI
	2	Khaled Al Qassimi / Michael Orr	UAE/Gbr	Subaru Impreza WRX STI
	3	Chris Thomas / Chips	Cyp	Mitsubishi Lancer EVO 7

2.3. TROODOS RALLY 2004

Qatar's Nasser Al Attiyah and co-driver Chris Patterson were the victors of last year's 2004 Troodos Rally, the penultimate round of the 2004 FIA Middle East Rally Championship (MERC).

Over a tough weekend's competition in above average temperatures, Al Attiyah managed to steer his Subaru Impreza to victory ahead of ultimate 2004 Champion Khalid Al Qassimi of the UAE.

Al Attiyah entered the Cyprus event standing 3rd in the MERC championship, trailing Al Qassimi and co-driver Michael Orr in 1st, and Cypriot Andreas Tsouloftas in 2nd. Tsouloftas and his co-driver Savvas Laos were hopeful that a favourable result at their home event would place them in a strong position to challenge for the title, but their rally was cut short on Day 1 when a special stage water splash drowned the engine of their Mitsubishi Evolution VII. The water splash that ended Tsouloftas' rally also claimed the Mitsubishi of Qatar's Khalifa Al Attiyah and Lebanon's Abdo Feghali on Day 1. Al Attiyah, on the other hand, was clearly enjoying his time tackling the Cyprus special stages and even Al Qassimi, who acknowledged that the stages were punishing on his Subaru Impreza Sti WRX, seemed satisfied with his performance on the holiday island.

Held over technical and dusty special stages south of the island's capital, Nicosia, the rally, which was organized by the Cyprus Automobile Association (CAA) and sponsored by Valvoline and Chevrolet, boasted a strong field of international drivers, and attracted competitors and rally fans from the Middle East and beyond.

Of 51 entries, just 37 teams started the event, but Day 1 took its toll and by the start of Day 2, just 22 cars took to the road. Just 13 officially finished the event.

3. ORGANISER'S CONTACT DETAILS

3.1. PERMANENT POSTAL AND VISITORS' ADDRESS

CAA OFFICE (up to Thursday 6.10.2005)	Tel: +357 22 31 32 33 Fax: +357 22 31 34 82
12, Chr. Mylona Street CY-2014, Nicosia, CYPRUS	Internet Official Website: http://www.cyprusrally.org E-mail: caa@cytanet.com.cy

3.2. HEADQUARTERS AND RALLY OFFICE

CAA OFFICE (permanent office up to Thursday 6 th October 2005)	Tel: +357 22 31 32 33 Fax: +357 22 31 34 82
12, Chr. Mylona Street CY-2014, Nicosia, CYPRUS	Internet Official Website: http://www.cyprusrally.org E-mail: caa@cytanet.com.cy
Rally H.Q. (as from Friday 7.10.2005)	Tel: TBA Fax: TBA
Golden Bay Hotel Larnaca	Internet Official Website: http://www.cyprusrally.org E-mail: caa@cytanet.com.cy

3.3. KEY OFFICIALS

Clerk of the Course	Demetris Ioannou
Deputy Clerks of the Course:	Petros Laos Stelios Demetriou
Competitors' Relations Officer:	Costas Theocharides
Press Relations Officer:	Tony Christodoulou
ASN Safety Officer:	Loucas Loucaides
Chief Medical Officer:	Dr Pambis Nicolaides
Secretary:	Lenia Kontopoulou
Marshals' Coordinator:	Andreas Anatolitis

4. CYPRUS / HOST CITY

4.1. CYPRUS GENERAL INFORMATION

Cyprus is a land of many charms. Glorious sun-kissed beaches, stunning mountain scenery, a wealth of historical sites and the traditional warm Cypriot welcome make any trip to Cyprus a memorable one. Aphrodite, the goddess of love, was born on the shores of Cyprus and, after spending some time here, you'll understand why she made it her home!

Cyprus is the third largest island in the Mediterranean after Sicily and Sardinia. It covers an area of 9,251 square kilometres (3,608 square miles) and lies at the north-eastern corner of the Mediterranean, at the crossroads of Europe, Asia and Africa. It is an island of contrasts with a coastline made up of stunning rock formations interspersed by long sections of sandy beach.

The main mountain range is the Troodos range with its highest peak, Mount Olympus, at 1,951 metres. There are 380 rural villages in the Republic and the population is just under a million. The main language is Greek but English is widely spoken (you will find someone with a knowledge of English even in the rural villages).

There are four main towns in Cyprus: Lefkosia (Nicosia), the capital, Larnaka (Larnaca), Lemesos (Limassol) and Pafos (Paphos). The main airports are at Larnaka and Pafos and modern motorways link all the main towns. The main seaports are at Larnaka and Lemesos – Lemesos being the main port.

TIME

Cyprus time is GMT+3 from the last Saturday in March to the last Saturday in September and GMT+2 in the winter months.

APPROXIMATE DISTANCES BETWEEN TOWNS

Larnaca Airport to Limassol	70 kms
Larnaka Airport to Pafos	139 kms
Lemesos to Lefkosia	82 kms
Lemesos to Pafos	68 kms
Lemesos to Troodos	46 kms
Pafos to Troodos (via Lemesos)	114 kms

BANKING

Banks operate from Monday to Friday from 0830 to 1230. They do not open on Saturdays.

Banks in the main tourist areas provide an afternoon tourist service and a number of automatic currency exchange machines operate on a 24-hour basis in major town centres and main tourist resorts. Most banks also have ATMs, which accept the majority of major credit and bankcards.

Hotels, large shops, restaurants etc usually accept travellers' cheques and major credit cards.

CURRENCY

The currency of the Republic is the Cyprus Pound (C£), which is divided into 100 cents. Notes and coins currently in circulation are:

Bank Notes: C£1 C£5, C£10 and C£20.

Coins: 1, 2, 5, 10, 20 and 50 cent pieces.

ELECTRICITY

The electricity supply in Cyprus is 240 volts AC 50Hz. Sockets are 13amp, square pin. Adapters are available on request at most hotel reception desks and they can be purchased from supermarkets, grocery shops etc at approximately C£1.50.

WATER

It is safe to drink tap water in Cyprus, as there are no water-borne diseases. However, due to the climate, Cyprus has severe water shortages and it is important not to waste water.

TELEPHONES

Call boxes are coin or card operated, increasingly the latter. For international calls from Cyprus dial 00 followed by the country code and the number. Pay-as-you-go packages for mobile phones are widely available, enabling the transmission of calls, text and SMS messages at local rates within Cyprus and abroad. Connection packs cost CY£15 and top-up cards to the value of £5, £10 and £20 pounds can be purchased at kiosks and most stores.

DRIVING IN CYPRUS

Visitors to Cyprus need a valid International driving licence or their national driving licence, provided it is valid for the class of vehicle they wish to drive. In order to hire a car, the driver must be over 25 years of age and have held a valid national/international licence for at least three years.

FUEL

Petrol, diesel and unleaded petrol are freely available at EKO, Mobil, Esso, Lina, Petrolina and Agip stations. Petrol is sold by the litre. Petrol stations are open at the following times:

Monday to Friday: 0600 – 1900

Tuesday: 0600 – 1400 in the Lemesos, Larnaka and Pafos Districts. Stations are open all day in the Lefkosia District.

Wednesday: 0600 – 1400 in the Lefkosia District only. Stations are open all day in the other districts.

Saturday: 0600 – 1500.

All petrol stations are closed on Sundays, but most stations have fuel vending machines, which accept bank notes and credit cards. Vending machines operate during non-working hours and the instructions are in English.

Fuel prices:

At the time of going to press, the prices are as below. However, fuel prices fluctuate according to the world price of crude oil. Due to the fluctuation in oil, these prices may vary.

- Unleaded petrol 95 octane 57.1 cents per litre.
- Unleaded petrol 98 octaine 59 cents per litre.
- Unleaded petrol 100 octaine 61.6 cents per litre
- Eurodiesel 2005 53.6 cents per litre.

MINI GUIDE FOR DRIVERS

Traffic moves on the left hand-side of the road, not on the right.

The maximum speed limit on the motorways is 100 km/h and the minimum is 65 km/h. On all other roads, the maximum speed limit is 80 km/h, unless a lower one is indicated. In built-up areas, generally the speed limit is 50km/h, unless otherwise indicated.

The use of **front and rear seat belts** is compulsory.

Rush hours in the towns are approximately between 0730 and 0800 and between 1300 and 1330 and in the late afternoon

Driving with an alcohol level above 39 milligrams per 100 millilitres of breath is an offence.

It is illegal for drivers to use a mobile telephone while the car is in motion.

Crash helmets must be worn on all motorbikes and scooters.

PUBLIC TRANSPORT

Shared Taxi/Mini-bus service: This inexpensive and convenient half hourly service operates between major towns until 18:00 daily on weekdays. Journeys cost around £3, except for Pafos to Lefkosia or Lefkosia to Pafos, which costs about £6.

Private taxis: Initial charges start of £1.50 during the day and £2.00 at night. Meters should run from the start of each journey.

Intercity buses: Buses operate between all the major towns, as well to the villages en route. Bus services between Lemesos and Lefkosia cost around £2 and run until around 17:00 on weekdays and until 14:00 on Saturdays. For more information call Lefkosia 22778841 or Lemesos 25370592.

USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Police/Fire/Ambulance	112
Police Headquarters Nicosia	22802020
Forest Department	1407
Air Sea Rescue	1441
Major Hospitals (enquiries)	1400
Private Doctors on call (Weekends, Public Holidays)	
Lefkosa	90901422
Larnaka	90901424
Lemesos	90901425
Pafos	90901426
Late night pharmacies	
Lefkosa	90901402
Larnaka	90901404
Lemesos	90901405
Pafos	90901406
Airports	
Larnaka	77778833
Pafos	26801810
Cyprus Telecommunications Authority	
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4.2. LARNACA – THE HOST CITY

The coastal town of Larnaka has much to recommend it. Set in a wide, sweeping bay, fanned by Mediterranean breezes and home to a unique selection of industry, ancient culture and tourism, Larnaka is a wonderful place to stay, visit and explore.

Many people's visit to Larnaka is little more than a fleeting glimpse after arriving at the airport, but it's worth taking a little time to get to know the town better.

Undoubtedly Larnaka's most attractive feature is its palm-tree lined seafront promenade, known locally as 'Phoinikoudes'. As the island's second largest resort, Larnaka boasts many daytime cafes and a vibrant night-life with clubs, pubs and bars for all ages. The town also boasts a relatively high number of ex-pats from all parts of the world – lending the town a real cosmopolitan feel.

The sea plays a vital role in the day-to-day lives of local people and Larnaka boasts both an impressive fishing harbour and marina. Short cruises take place regularly around Larnaka Bay, many organized by local dive centres offering trips to the wreck of the Zenovia – a cargo vessel which sank off the coast of Larnaka and today rates as one of the world's top 10 dives.

Larnaka is built on the ruins of Kition, an ancient city-kingdom dating back to the 13th century BC, so it should come as no surprise that there are plenty of historical sites in the area. There are a many museums, a 17th century fort, and an 18th century aqueduct, as well as two religious sites of historic significance - Ayios Lazarus Church, and Hala Sultan tekke.

Saint Lazarus, patron saint of Larnaka, moved here after his resurrection. An impressive church was built over his tomb and the site is unmissable today, standing as it does in the heart of the town. Hala Sultan Tekke stands on the edge of Larnaka's Salt Lake and is built over the tomb of Umm Haram, a relative of the Prophet Mohammed. It is an important place of Moslem pilgrimage. The Salt Lake itself provides a winter home for flamingoes and many other migratory birds.

While Larnaka is a major tourist resort, it is also a working port and home to a significant level of local industry. As such, Larnaka provides a unique opportunity for visitors to experience daily life in a modern Mediterranean coastal town.

There are also many attractions located around Larnaka, including the mountain-top monastery of Stavrovouni Monastery and the renowned lace-making village of Lefkara.

Many people even choose Larnaka as a base from which to explore the rest of the island. Its central location, excellent road links and impressive local attractions proving an unbeatable combination.

5. RALLY PROGRAMME

- **OPENING DATE FOR ENTRIES: Friday 5th August 2005** 9:00 hrs
- **CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES: Thursday 8th September 2005 (reduced fee)** 12:00 hrs
Thursday 15th September 2005 (normal fee) 12:00 hrs
- **DATE OF ISSUING THE ROAD BOOKS:**
Place: Rally HQ,
Time: Leg 1 – Tuesday 4th October 2005 – 18:00 hours
Leg 2 – Wednesday 5th October 2005 – 18:30 hours
- **DATE OF RECONNAISSANCE:**
Leg 1 – Wednesday October 5th 2005 – 07:00-18:00 hours
Leg 2 - Thursday October 6th 2005 – 07:00-18:00 hours
- **DATE OF 1ST STEWARDS MEETING:**
DATE: Friday 7th October -18:30 hrs
PLACE: Rally HQ
- **DATE OF PRELIMINARY DOCUMENTATION:**
DATE: Tuesday October 4th 2005 – 14:00-18:00 hours
PLACE: Rally HQ
- **DATE OF ADMINISTRATIVE CHECKS:**
DATE: Friday October 7th 2005 – 14:00-17:00 hours
PLACE: Peugeot Garage, Aradhippou Larnaca
- **DATE AND PLACE OF SCRUTINEERING, MARKING AND SEALING:**
DATE: Friday October 7th 2005 – 14:00-17:00 hours
PLACE: Peugeot Garage, Aradhippou Larnaca
- **PUBLICATION OF LIST OF THE CARS ELIGIBLE TO TAKE THE START:**
DATE: Friday October 7th 2005 – 19:30 hours
PLACE: Rally HQ
- **CEREMONIAL START OF THE RALLY:**
DATE: Friday October 7th 2005 – 20:30 hours
PLACE: Larnaca promenade “Phoenikoudhes”
- **OFFICIAL START IF THE RALLY:**
DATE: Saturday 8th October 2005 – 07:00 hours
PLACE: Zenon Stadium, Larnaca
- **LOCATIONS AND TIMES OF THE START AND FINISH OF THE VARIOUS LEGS:**
Leg 1: Start - Zenon Stadium, Larnaca – 07:00 hours
Finish – Zenon Stadium, Larnaca – 17:11 hours
Leg 2: Start – Zenon Stadium, Larnaca – 06:00 hours

- **FINISHING DATE OF THE RALLY:**
DATE: Sunday 9th October 2005 – 16:56 hours
PLACE: Larnaca promenade “Phoenikoudhes”
- **FINAL CHECKS:**
DATE: Sunday 9th October 2005 – 17:30 hours
PLACE: Peugeot Garage, Aradhippou Larnaca
- **PUBLICATION OF THE FINAL PROVISIONAL CLASSIFICATION:**
DATE: Sunday 9th October 2005 – 19:00 hours
PLACE: Rally HQ
- **PUBLICATION OF THE FINAL OFFICIAL CLASSIFICATION:**
DATE: Sunday 9th October 2005 – 19:30 hours
PLACE: Rally HQ
- **PRIZE-GIVING:**
DATE: Sunday 9th October 2005 – 20:30 hours
PLACE: T.B.A.
- **OPENING HOURS OF HEADQUARTERS:**
Upto Friday 7th October 2005 - 08:00 – 20:00 hours
Saturday 8th October 2005 - 06:00 – 20:00 hours
Sunday 9th October 2005 - 05:00 – 20:00 hours
- **OPENING HOURS OF MEDIA CENTRE:**
Friday 7th October 2005 - 12:00 – 20:00 hours
Saturday 8th October 2005 - 07:00 – 20:00 hours
Sunday 9th October 2005 - 07:00 – 20:00 hours

6. ENTRY DETAILS

6.1. FIA TITLES FOR WHICH THE RALLY COUNTS:

6.1.1	FIA Middle East Rally Championship for Drivers
6.1.2	FIA Middle East Rally Championship for Co-Drivers
6.1.3	FIA Middle East Rally Cup for Group N Drivers
6.1.4	FIA Middle East Rally 1600 2WD with normally aspirated engine cup
6.1.5	FIA Middle East Manufacturers Cup

6.2. ENTRY PERIOD:

Opening Date of Entries:	Friday 5.8.2005
Closing Date of Entries:	
Reduced Fee	Thursday 8.9.2005
Normal Fee	Thursday 15.9.2005

6.3.LIST OF ENTRY FEES

6.3.1. With the optional advertising proposed by the organizers:

Entries at reduced fee received up to Thursday 8.9.2005	CYP150 (approximately US\$300)
Entries at regular fee received after 8.9.2005 and up to Thursday 15.9.2005	CYP250 (approximately US\$500)

6.3.2. Without this advertising the above fees are doubled.

6.3.3.

Club or Ecurie Team	CYP10 (approximately US\$20) per car
Make Team Entries	CUP20 (approximately US\$40) per car

These entry fees, must be paid by bank transfer, the organizers' bank account:

Name of Bank	Bank of Cyprus, Armenias Str. Nicosia
Account Name	CAA
Account Number	0108-01-004984
Swift Code	BCYPCY2N

All expenses are payable by the Competitor. Payment must be made in US Dollars or equivalent in Euro or Cyprus pounds.

7. SERVICE PARK

7.1. There is one Service Park for the entire rally. The Service Park is located at the Zenon Stadium in Larnaca. The Service Park layout will be published at the Preliminary Documentation.

7.2. Access times for service vehicles

Leg 1: Friday 7.10.2005	13:00 – 22:00 hours
Leg 1: Saturday 8.10.2005	05:00 – 21:00 hours
Leg 2: Sunday 9.10.2005	04:00 – 19:00 hours

Service and Auxiliary plates will be issued according to Article 12.4 of the 2005 General Prescriptions.

8. RECONNAISSANCE

8.1. Procedure for registration

- 8.1.1. Before starting reconnaissance, all crews must supply the Organisers with full details of the reconnaissance cars.
- 8.1.2. The reconnaissance registration form can be collected from the Rally Secretariat.
- 8.1.3. Identification numbers, given at the registration shall be affixed to the reconnaissance car, on both windscreen (top center) and on the right rear side window and kept visible for the whole duration of the reconnaissance period. Any breach of this article will result in banning the concerned competitor from the reconnaissance.

8.2. Schedule

Reconnaissance is limited to two days prior to the administrative checks and scrutineering, starting on Wednesday 5th October 2005.

8.3. Specific restrictions

- a. Reconnaissance is prohibited from the publication of the itinerary to the aforementioned dates.
- b. **Crews are only permitted to enter a special stage from the start point shown in the Road Book and may not under any circumstances drive in a direction opposite to that of the rally.**
- c. All crews must have their headlights on at all times whilst traveling on the special stages.
- d. Any breach of the reconnaissance regulations, of the 2005 FIA General Prescriptions and these Supplementary Regulations, will result in a penalty, which may go as far as exclusion, at the discretion of the Stewards (Article 152 of the code).

8.4. RECCE SCHEDULE

Wednesday 5.10.2005 07:00 – 18:00 hours	LEG 1
Thursday 6.10.2005 07:00 – 18:00 hours	Leg 2

9. MEDIA

The Media Centre

Golden Bay Hotel (Larnaka)
Larnaka Dekeleia Rd.

Press Officer:

Chris Christodoulou
c/o Action Global Communications Limited
6 Kondilaki Street
Nicosia 1090
Cyprus
Fax Number: + 357 22 873632
E-Mail : chris.c@actionprgroup.com

Accreditation

National and International journalists may apply to be accredited for the 2005 Troodos Rally using the enclosed form. This should be received by the Accreditation Manager no later than 4th October.

Accreditation Manager:

Koulla Charalambous
c/o Action Global Communications Limited
6 Kondilaki Street
Nicosia 1090
Cyprus

Fax Number: + 357 22 873634

E-Mail : koulla.c@actionprgroup.com

Applications for accreditation can also be faxed to the above number.

For national media, they may accredit at the above address during normal office hours until Thursday 6th October.

International media can accredit at the Media Centre on Friday 7th October from 11:00 to 18:00.

Media Centre hours:

Friday 7 th October	11:00 – 18:00
Saturday 8 th October	07:00 - 18:00
Sunday 9 th October	06:00 - 19:00

Press Office Staff:

Louis Eleftheriou (Greek)
Mikaelo Papadakis (Greek)
Koulla Charalambous (Greek)
Chris Christodoulou (English)
Tony Christodoulou (English)
Neil Perkins (English)

10. FUEL

10.1. FUEL/REFUELING REGULATIONS

Super unleaded 98 octane fuel is available in all towns. **The competitors are responsible for checking the conformity of the event fuel each time they receive delivery, and before it is used in competition.**

All Competitors should only refuel at the refueling area at the exit of the Service Park and at the areas for Refueling only which may be set along the route. In these areas, any kind of servicing is prohibited. Team personnel shall be allowed to refuel the car, but shall not be allowed to do any other work on the car.

11. INSURANCE

Description of insurance cover

The entry fees include the insurance premium, which guarantees the competitor insurance cover for civil liability **unlimited for Third Party personal injuries and up to CYP50.000,00 for Third Party property damage, subject to excess of CYP100,00 for each and every claim.**

Damages on Rally and/or Service Cars and injuries to their occupants as well as the liability of a crew member towards the other crew member of the car and/or towards the crews of other rally cars, are not covered by the insurance provided by the organizers.

The insurance cover will come into effect from the start and will cease at the end of the rally or at the moment of retirement or exclusion.

12. IMPORT OF VEHICLES AND SPARE PARTS

12.1. NATIONAL LAWS/CUSTOM CLEARANCE

The ATA carnet is not a requirement for bringing your equipment into Cyprus. If you already have one it is useful.

The Organizers arranged with the Chief of Customs for the following procedure:

1. A list of all equipment carried in each van or truck, signed and stamped by your company must be brought by the driver or other accompanying person. Copy of this list should be faxed to the organizers beforehand.
2. Photocopy of the passport of each driver of each vehicle, and photocopy of each vehicle's logbook should also be faxed.
3. In order for a car to be released from customs, a written and signed authorization by the vehicle owner, naming the driver authorized to import the car, must be presented. If the owner is a company the authorization should also bear the company's stamp.
4. Upon arrival, random checks shall be carried out by customs officers to ascertain that the items in the trucks are actually on the respective lists.
5. The same procedure shall be followed on departure so as to verify that all items imported are actually exported even if they are damaged.
6. We shall make arrangements for a clearing agent to be at the port in order to expedite procedures.

13. GENERAL FACTS

13.1. DOCUMENTATION

At the documentation the following documents will be checked:

- drivers' competition and road licenses
- competitor license
- authorization for the drivers by their ASN to take part in the rally
- rally car's insurance cover towards third parties
- rally car's registration papers
- accuracy of all information given on the entry form.

13.2. PASSPORTS/ENTRY VISAS

Entry regulations for Cyprus

Entry regulations apply only to the areas controlled by the Government of the Republic of Cyprus. Passport is required except for holder of:

1. Laissez-Passer issued by the United Nations.
2. Document issued to stateless persons and recognized refugees.
3. Further to the above, citizens of the European Union countries, as well as of Switzerland, Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway may enter Cyprus with their national identity card provided there is a photo.

The Government of Cyprus refuses admission to:

1. Holders of Former Yugoslav Republic's passports bearing a renewal stamp with the name "Macedonia". Entry is only allowed to holders of Yugoslav passports without the above-mentioned stamp.
2. Holders of "passports" issued illegally by the secessionist entity, the so-called "Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus". Other nationalities having stamps or visas of the so-called "Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus in their passports are only allowed to enter Cyprus after the above-mentioned visas/stamps are cancelled by the Immigration Authorities of the Republic of Cyprus.
3. For those intending to be employed in Cyprus the issue of an employment permit by the Migration Officer is required and no visa is required in order to travel to Cyprus.

List of third countries whose citizens are required to have a visa:

Afghanistan, Albania, Algeria, Angola, Antigua and Barbuda, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bahamas, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Barbados, Belarus, Belize, Benin, Bhutan, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Burma/Myanmar, Burundi, Cambodia, Cameroon, Cape Verde, Central African Republic, Chad, China, Colombia, Comoros, Congo, Cuba, Democratic Republic of Congo, Djibouti, Dominica, Dominican Republic, East Timor, Ecuador, Egypt, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Fiji, Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Gabon, Gambia, Georgia, Ghana, Grenada, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Guyana, Haiti, India, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Ivory Coast, Jamaica, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kiribati, Kuwait, Kyrgyzstan, Laos, Lebanon, Lesotho, Liberia, Libya, Madagascar, Malawi, Maldives, Mali, Marshall Islands, Mauritania, Mauritius, Micronesia, Moldova, Mongolia, Morocco, Mozambique, Namibia, Nauru, Nepal, Niger, Nigeria, North Korea, Northern Marianas (Islands), Oman, Pakistan, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Peru, Philippines, Qatar, Russia, Rwanda, Samoa, Sao Tome and Principe, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Serbia and Montenegro, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, Solomon Islands, Somalia, South Africa, Sri Lanka, St' Kitts and Nevis, St Lucia, St Vincent and the Grenadines, Sudan, Suriname, Swaziland, Syria, Tajikistan, Tanzania, Thailand, Togo, Tonga, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Turkey, Turkmenistan, Tuvalu, Uganda, Ukraine, United Arab Emirates, Uzbekistan, Vanuatu, Vietnam, Yemen, Zambia, Zimbabwe.

13.3. MEDICAL

Persons who are not residents of Cyprus, can be treated at the public hospitals but they must bear the cost of the treatment. There are both public and private hospitals offering good, immediate and high standard treatment.