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**To:**  
**WaterfrontExpo Organization** (by e-mail)

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**Subject: WaterfrontExpo 2007 - Lisbon**

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Dear Sirs,

We, the management of [ANMPN - Nautical Association of the Parque das Nações Marina](#), hereby express our delight in the creation of Lisbon's WaterfrontExpo 2007, as a consequence of the candidature supported by the Parque Expo's "case study".

Unfortunately, the marina, which is the only sea outlet to the water front (area of the case study), has been left for over four years in a state of utter negligence and abandonment. This is despite the fact that the recovery project has been concluded by MPN (the society that will explore the renewed marina of Parque das Nações) and is awaiting for a formal approval from government entities since several months.

The rehabilitation project of the Parque das Nações Marina foresees a working time of ten/twelve months, in which case it will allow the Marina to operate by October 2007, the date predicted for the WaterFrontExpo, providing the decision to start the job takes place in the near future.

Aware of the great importance of the WaterFrontExpo for the city of Lisbon, as a promotional element of the harmonious development of the water front of Tagus's estuary, ANMPN has signed a protocol with ANC (Cruisers Nautical Association with about 1300 members owners of sailing ships). The intention is to organize a grand flotilla in the river Tagus in October 2007, starting in Belém, passing in front of the Historical Centre and finishing in the ParqueExpo (in the marina). There we would offer a gastronomic reception to allow the ships' crews and the delegates of the WaterFrontExpo to socialize.

The objectives of the nautical display is to celebrate the reopening of the marina, the WaterFrontExpo event, as well as any other programme that might be considered appropriate by the Portuguese government and/or local authorities. It is worth noting that the Portuguese Presidency of the EU will be on the 2nd semester of 2007, in the "Pavilhão do Atlântico", around half a nautical mile from the marina.

For these reasons, we hereby enclose a copy of the Protocol (only available in portuguese) signed by us and the [ANC – Cruisers National Association](#).

Similar letters have been sent to MPN society, to the Mayor of Lisbon, to the President of Lisbon Tourism to the President of the ParqueExpo'98, and to Government members, in order to gather the necessary consensus to materialize this initiative.

Please feel free to contact us for any queries you may have.

Nautical regards,

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Chairman of ANMPN