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Translocation operation of Cladocora Ceaspitosa within the Grand Harbour

The Ports and Yachting Directorate, Transport Malta, notifies mariners that there will be a translocation operation of Cladocora Ceaspitosa (a type of coral) colonies within the Grand Harbour.

The works consist of translocating the colonies of Cladocora Ceaspitosa from Pinto Wharf 4 and 5 (point A) and if found from approximately 80m from Fuel Wharf (point B) to the following places:

Entrance to No.1 Dock (point V),
Corner between Machinery Wharf and Oil Wharf (point W),
North end of Oil Wharf (point X)
Xatt ir-Risq (point Y) and / or
Il-Ponta ta' Bighi (point Z), positions as shown on the attached chart.

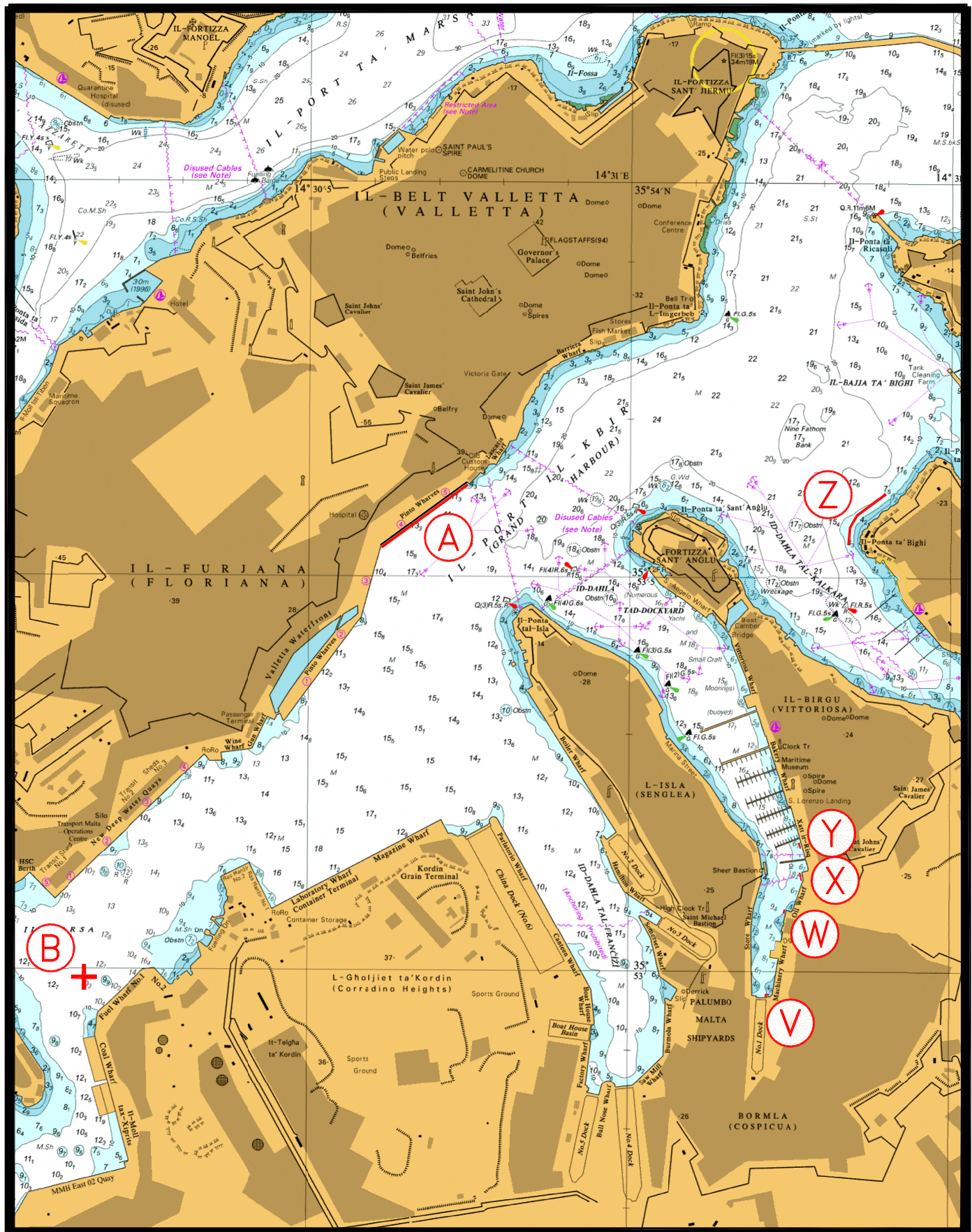
The translocation operation is scheduled to start on Friday 18th March 2022 and be completed by Friday 25th March 2022, no work will be carried out on Saturday 19th and Sunday 20th March 2022.

Divers will be performing the translocation with the assistance of the vessel "LOBSTER" which will be displaying the International Code of Signals flag "A", during the diving operation.

In view of the above, mariners navigating in the above-mentioned areas, are to proceed with caution and at very slow 'no wake' speed. They are to give the vessel "LOBSTER" a wide berth of at least 80m, when spotted.

They are to cooperate with the contractor on site and comply with any instructions as may be given on VHF channel 12 and/or 16 by Valletta VTS and / or any enforcement personnel on site.

Chart affected: **BA 177**



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