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**INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON CIVIL LIABILITY FOR BUNKER OIL  
POLLUTION DAMAGE, 2001**

**Accession by Romania**

The Secretary-General of the International Maritime Organization has the honour to refer to the International Convention on Civil Liability for Bunker Oil Pollution Damage, 2001, and to state that, in accordance with article 12, accession by Romania was effected by the deposit of an instrument on 15 June 2009.

The instrument contained the following declarations:

- “1. Judgements concerning issues provided for by the BUNKERS Convention of 2001, when delivered by courts from the Republic of Austria, the Kingdom of Belgium, the Republic of Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, the Republic of Cyprus, the Hellenic Republic, the Republic of Estonia, the Republic of Finland, the French Republic, the Federal Republic of Germany, the Republic of Ireland, the Italian Republic, the Republic of Latvia, the Republic of Lithuania, the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg, the Republic of Malta, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the Republic of Poland, the Republic of Portugal, the Republic of Slovakia, the Republic of Slovenia, the Kingdom of Spain, the Kingdom of Sweden, the Kingdom of the Netherlands, or the Republic of Hungary, are recognized and enforced in Romania, in accordance with the relevant European Union Regulations;
2. Romania accedes to the BUNKERS Convention of 2001 in accordance with the Decision of the European Union Council no.2002/762/CE of 19 September 2002 to authorize the Member States in the interest of European Community to sign, to ratify or to accede to this international Convention.”

The Convention will enter into force for Romania on 15 September 2009, in accordance with the provisions of article 14.

There are, at present, forty Contracting States to the Convention, representing approximately 76.43 % of the gross tonnage of the world’s merchant shipping.