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

Accession by Vanuatu

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 the Republic of Vanuatu was effected by the deposit of an instrument on 20 August 2008.

The Convention will enter into force for Vanuatu on 21 November 2008, in accordance with the provisions of article 14.

There are, at present, twenty-six Contracting States to the Convention, representing approximately 40.17% of the world's merchant shipping.
