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**INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON THE CONTROL OF HARMFUL
ANTI-FOULING SYSTEMS ON SHIPS, 2001**

Accession by the Republic of Estonia

The Secretary-General of the International Maritime Organization has the honour to refer to the International Convention on the Control of Harmful Anti-Fouling Systems on Ships, 2001, and to state that, in accordance with article 17 of the Convention, accession by the Republic of Estonia was effected by the deposit of an instrument on 23 January 2009.

The Convention will enter into force for the Republic of Estonia on 23 April 2009, in accordance with the provisions of article 18(2).

There are, at present, thirty-six Contracting States to the Convention.
