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

**Extension by the United Kingdom of Great Britain and  
Northern Ireland to the British Virgin Islands**

The Secretary-General of the International Maritime Organization has the honour to state that he received, on 9 September 2013, a notification from the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland that the International Convention on the Control of Harmful Anti-fouling Systems on Ships, 2001, shall be extended to the British Virgin Islands.

The extension to the British Virgin Islands took effect as from 9 September 2013, the date on which the notification was received by the Secretary-General.

There are, at present, 65 Contracting States to the Convention, representing approximately 82.25 per cent\* of the gross tonnage of the world's merchant shipping.

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\* This tonnage percentage is based on world tonnage figures provided by Lloyd's Register/Fairplay, effective as of 31 December 2012. Tonnage figures are liable to fluctuate from year to year.