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

Accession by Togo

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 Togolese Republic was effected by the deposit of an instrument on 6 February 2017.

The Convention will enter into force for Togo on 6 May 2017, in accordance with article 18(3) of the Convention.

There are, at present, 75 Contracting States to the Convention, representing approximately 93.71%* of the gross tonnage of the world's merchant shipping.

* Tonnage calculated as at 6 February 2017 based on world tonnage figures provided by IHS Markit, current as of 30 September 2016.