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

Article 9(1)(b) of the International Convention on the Control of Harmful Anti-fouling Systems on Ships, 2001 (the AFS Convention) states that, "Each Party undertakes to communicate to the Organization, on an annual basis, information regarding any anti-fouling systems approved, restricted, or prohibited under its domestic law." Article 9(2) of the AFS Convention states that the Organization shall make available, through appropriate means, such information.

The Netherlands Government's Directorate Transport Safety, in a letter dated 7 November 2002, addressed to the Director of the IMO's Marine Environment Division, informed that the Board for the Authorization of Pesticides in the Netherlands (CTB) runs a website which lists both the approved and prohibited anti-fouling products in the Netherlands. The website address is <u>www.ctb-wageningen.nl</u>

IMO Member Governments are encouraged to visit the above-mentioned website and also to provide information in accordance with Article 9(1)(b) of the AFS Convention.

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