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**INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION RELATING TO INTERVENTION ON
THE HIGH SEAS IN CASES OF OIL POLLUTION CASUALTIES, 1969**

Accession by the Congo

The Secretary-General of the International Maritime Organization has the honour to refer to the International Convention relating to Intervention on the High Seas in Cases of Oil Pollution Casualties, done at Brussels on 29 November 1969, and to state that accession by the Republic of Congo was effected by deposit of an instrument on 19 May 2014, in accordance with article IX of the Convention.

The Convention will enter into force for the Congo on 17 August 2014, in accordance with article XI, paragraph 2, of the Convention.

There are, at present, 88 Contracting States to the Convention, representing approximately 74.38%* of the gross tonnage of the world's merchant shipping.

* This tonnage percentage is based on world tonnage figures provided by IHS-Fairplay, effective as of 31 December 2013. Tonnage figures are liable to fluctuate from year to year.