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**INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON STANDARDS OF TRAINING, CERTIFICATION
AND WATCHKEEPING FOR SEAFARERS (STCW), 1978, AS AMENDED**

**Parties to the International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification
and Watchkeeping for Seafarers (STCW), 1978, as amended, confirmed by
the Maritime Safety Committee to have communicated information which
demonstrates that full and complete effect is given to the
relevant provisions of the Convention**

1 The Maritime Safety Committee (MSC), at its one hundredth session (3 to 7 December 2018), received a report by the Secretary-General pursuant to regulation I/7, paragraph 2 of the International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers (STCW Convention), 1978, as amended. The report was in respect of one STCW Party, the information of which had not been fully evaluated previously. A list of the STCW Party which had communicated information that demonstrated that it was giving full and complete effect to the relevant provisions of the Convention at that session of the Committee, together with those which had been confirmed at previous sessions, is set out in the annex.

2 MSC 100 noted that, in preparing the report required by STCW regulation I/7, paragraph 2, the Secretary-General had solicited and taken into account the views of competent persons selected from the list established pursuant to paragraph 7 of section A-I/7 of the STCW Code and circulated under MSC/Circ.797, as revised from time to time.

3 In accordance with STCW regulation I/7, paragraph 3, MSC 100 confirmed one STCW Party, additional to those included in the list set out in MSC/Circ.1163/Rev.10, which had communicated information demonstrating that it was giving full and complete effect to the relevant provisions of the 1978 STCW Convention, as amended. The list in the annex contains those STCW Parties confirmed by the Committee at its sessions referred to in paragraph 1 above. The Committee noted that, as the process of communicating and evaluating information is continuing, further Parties may be added to the list in the annex at subsequent sessions.

4 The Committee draws the attention of maritime administrations, shipowners, ship operators and managers, shipmasters and other parties concerned to the following:

- .1 not all of the STCW Parties listed in the annex provide seafarer training, and some of those Parties listed may only provide a limited range of training; and

.2 the fact that a Party is listed in the annex does not relieve those concerned of their obligations under the 1978 STCW Convention, as amended.

5 As Parties are entitled to accept, in principle, certificates issued by or on behalf of STCW Parties, and a position on the list set out in the annex is one of the necessary measures used by many Administrations for the issue of endorsements in accordance with STCW regulation I/10, the attention of port State control officers is drawn to the fact that this circular was issued on 14 December 2018.

ANNEX

Parties to the International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers (STCW), 1978, as amended, confirmed by the Maritime Safety Committee to have communicated information which demonstrates that full and complete effect is given to the relevant provisions of the Convention

Albania	Greece	Peru
Algeria	Guatemala	Philippines (the)
Antigua and Barbuda	Honduras	Poland
Argentina	Hungary	Portugal
Australia	Iceland	Qatar
Azerbaijan	India	Republic of Korea (the)
Bahamas (the)	Indonesia	Romania
Bahrain	Iran (Islamic Republic of)	Russian Federation (the)
Bangladesh	Ireland	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
Barbados	Israel	Samoa
Belgium	Italy	Saudi Arabia
Belize	Jamaica	Senegal
Bolivia (Plurinational State of)	Japan	Serbia ^{*****}
Brazil	Jordan	Seychelles
Brunei Darussalam	Kenya	Singapore
Bulgaria	Kiribati	Slovakia
Cabo Verde	Kuwait	Slovenia
Cambodia	Latvia	Solomon Islands
Canada	Lebanon	South Africa
Chile	Liberia	Spain
China*	Libya	Sri Lanka
Colombia	Lithuania	Sweden
Comoros (the)	Luxembourg	Switzerland
Cook Islands (the)	Madagascar	Syrian Arab Republic
Côte d'Ivoire	Malawi	Thailand
Croatia	Malaysia	Togo
Cuba	Maldives	Tonga
Cyprus	Malta	Trinidad and Tobago
Czech Republic	Marshall Islands (the)	Tunisia
Democratic People's Republic of Korea (the)	Mauritania	Turkey
Denmark**	Mauritius	Tuvalu
Dominica	Mexico	Ukraine
Ecuador	Micronesia (Federated States of)	United Arab Emirates (the)
Egypt	Montenegro ^{*****}	United Kingdom (the) ^{****}
El Salvador	Morocco	United Republic of Tanzania (the)
Eritrea	Mozambique	United States (the)
Estonia	Myanmar	Uruguay
Ethiopia	Netherlands (the) ^{***}	Vanuatu
Fiji	New Zealand	Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)
Finland	Nigeria	Viet Nam
France	Norway	
Georgia	Oman	
Germany	Pakistan	
Ghana	Panama	
	Papua New Guinea	

* Includes: Hong Kong, China (Associate Member to the IMO).

** Includes: Faroes (Associate Member to the IMO).

*** Includes: Aruba, Curaçao and Sint Maarten.

**** Includes: Bermuda, British Virgin Islands, Cayman Islands, Gibraltar and Isle of Man.

***** Part of ex. Yugoslavia. As from 4 February 2003, the name of the State of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia was changed to Serbia and Montenegro. Following the dissolution of the State of Serbia and Montenegro on 3 June 2006, all treaty actions relating to the provisions of the STCW Convention undertaken by Serbia and Montenegro continue to be in force with respect to the Republic of Serbia and the Republic of Montenegro with effect from the same date, i.e. 3 June 2006.