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

**Accession by Oman**

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(3) of the Convention, accession by the Government of the Sultanate of Oman was effected by the deposit of an instrument on 6 March 2019.

The Convention will enter into force for Oman on 6 June 2019, in accordance with article 18(3) of the Convention.

There are, at present, 85 Contracting States to the Convention, representing approximately 95.96%\* of the gross tonnage of the world's merchant shipping.

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\* Tonnage calculated as of 6 March 2019, based on world tonnage figures provided by IHS Maritime and Trade current as of 31 December 2017.