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**PROTOCOL ON PREPAREDNESS, RESPONSE AND CO-OPERATION TO POLLUTION  
INCIDENTS BY HAZARDOUS AND NOXIOUS SUBSTANCES, 2000**

**Accession by Guyana**

The Secretary-General of the International Maritime Organization has the honour to refer to the Protocol on Preparedness, Response and Co-operation to Pollution Incidents by Hazardous and Noxious Substances, 2000, and to state that, in accordance with article 13(2) of the Protocol, accession by the Co-operative Republic of Guyana was effected by deposit of an instrument on 20 February 2019.

The Protocol will enter into force for Guyana on 20 May 2019, in accordance with article 15(3) of the Protocol.

There are, at present, 40 Contracting States to the Protocol.

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