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## **INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON MARITIME SEARCH AND RESCUE, 1979**

### **Accession by Benin**

The Secretary-General of the International Maritime Organization has the honour to refer to the International Convention on Maritime Search and Rescue, 1979, and to state that accession by the Republic of Benin was effected by deposit of an instrument on 8 February 2017, in accordance with article IV.

The Convention will enter into force for Benin on 10 March 2017, in accordance with article V.

There are, at present, 109 Contracting States to the Convention.