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

**Communication received from the Government of South Africa**

The Secretary-General has the honour to transmit herewith a communication received from the Government of South Africa, as set out in the annex.

The Secretary-General would be grateful if steps could be taken to bring this information to the attention of the appropriate authorities.

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## ANNEX



H. E Kitack Lim  
Secretary General  
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Date : 25 November 2020

### Republic of South Africa - Signatories to Certificates

Your Excellency

Please be informed that with effect from 01 September 2020, the South African Maritime Safety Authority (SAMS), on behalf of the Republic of South Africa, have added the undersigned as Deputy Registrar of Seafarers and is now a signatory to the STCW related Certificates and other seafarer's related documents.

In view of this change, we request your assistance in disseminating this information to all Member States of the IMO for their information and guidance.

Regards

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