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**CONVENTION ON THE INTERNATIONAL REGULATIONS FOR  
PREVENTING COLLISIONS AT SEA, 1972, AS AMENDED**

**Accession by Niue**

The Secretary-General of the International Maritime Organization has the honour to refer to the Convention on the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea, 1972, as amended, and to state that, in accordance with article II, accession by Niue was effected by the deposit of an instrument on 18 May 2012.

The Convention entered into force for Niue on 18 May 2012, in accordance with the provisions of article IV(3).

There are, at present, one hundred and fifty-five Contracting States to the Convention, representing approximately 98.71%\* of the gross tonnage of the world's merchant shipping.

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This tonnage percentage is based on world tonnage figures provided by IHS-Fairplay, effective as of 31 December 2011. Tonnage figures are liable to fluctuate from year to year.