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**1996 PROTOCOL TO THE CONVENTION ON THE PREVENTION OF MARINE
POLLUTION BY DUMPING OF WASTES AND OTHER MATTER, 1972**

Accession by Guatemala

The Secretary-General of the International Maritime Organization has the honour to refer to the 1996 Protocol to the Convention on the Prevention of Marine Pollution by Dumping of Wastes and Other Matter, 1972, and to state that, in accordance with article 24(3), accession by the Republic of Guatemala was effected by the deposit of an instrument on 25 February 2019.

The Protocol will enter into force for Guatemala on 27 March 2019, in accordance with article 25(2) of the Protocol.

There are, at present, 53 Contracting States to the Protocol.
