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**PROTOCOL OF 2010 TO THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON LIABILITY AND
COMPENSATION FOR DAMAGE IN CONNECTION WITH THE CARRIAGE OF
HAZARDOUS AND NOXIOUS SUBSTANCES BY SEA, 1996**

Accession by South Africa

The Secretary-General of the International Maritime Organization has the honour to refer to the Protocol of 2010 to the International Convention on Liability and Compensation for Damage in connection with the Carriage of Hazardous and Noxious Substances by Sea, 1996 and to state that, in accordance with article 20(3) of the Protocol, accession by the Republic of South Africa was effected by the deposit of an instrument on 15 July 2019.

The instrument of accession was accompanied by a submission of data on the total quantities of contributing cargo liable for contributions received in South Africa during 2018 in respect of the general account and each separate account, pursuant to article 20(4) of the Protocol, as indicated below.

2018	General account	Oil account	LNG account	LPG account
South Africa	56,558	23,672	6,726	0

Article 21(1) provides as follows:

"This Protocol shall enter into force eighteen months after the date on which the following conditions are fulfilled:

- (a) at least twelve States, including **four** States each with not less than 2 million units of gross tonnage, have expressed their consent to be bound by it; and
- (b) the Secretary-General has received information in accordance with article 20, paragraphs 4 and 6, that those persons in such States who would be liable to contribute pursuant to article 18, paragraphs 1(a) and (c), of the Convention, as amended by this Protocol, have received during the preceding calendar year a total quantity of at least 40 million tonnes of cargo contributing to the general account."

There are, at present, **five** Contracting States to the Protocol, four of which have more than 2 million* units of gross tonnage. The five Contracting States received, in 2018, a total quantity of 9,794,535 tonnes of cargo contributing to the general account.

* Tonnage figures provided by IHS Maritime and Trade current as of 31 December 2018.