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**PROTOCOL OF 1996 TO AMEND THE CONVENTION ON LIMITATION
OF LIABILITY FOR MARITIME CLAIMS, 1976**

Accession by Kenya

The Secretary-General of the International Maritime Organization has the honour to refer to the Protocol of 1996 to amend the Convention on Limitation of Liability for Maritime Claims, 1976, and to state that, in accordance with article 10, accession by the Republic of Kenya was effected by deposit of an instrument on 7 July 2015.

The instrument of accession by Kenya was accompanied by the following reservation:

"The Government of the Republic of Kenya pursuant to article 7(1)(b) of the Protocol of 1996 to the Convention on Limitation of Liability for Maritime Claims, 1976, reserves the right to exclude claims for damage within the meaning of the International Convention on Liability and Compensation for Damage in Connection with the Carriage of Hazardous and Noxious Substances by Sea (HNS), 1996."

The Protocol will enter into force for Kenya on 5 October 2015, in accordance with article 11(2) of the Protocol.

There are, at present, 52 Contracting States to the Protocol.