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NAIROBI INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON THE REMOVAL OF WRECKS, 2007

Ratification by France

The Secretary-General of the International Maritime Organization has the honour to refer to the Nairobi International Convention on the Removal of Wrecks, 2007, and to state that ratification by the French Republic was effected by deposit of an instrument on 4 February 2016.

The instrument of ratification of France was accompanied by the following declarations:

In accordance with article 3(2) of the Nairobi International Convention on the Removal of Wrecks, 2007, "France declares that the Convention will apply to wrecks located within the territory, including its territorial sea."

In accordance with article 10(2) of the Nairobi International Convention on the Removal of Wrecks, 2007, France reiterates its declaration made at the time of its ratification of the Protocol of 1996 to amend the Convention on Limitation of Liability for Maritime Claims, 1976, as follows: "Pursuant to the provisions of article 7 of this Protocol amending paragraph 1(a), article 18 of the Convention on Limitation of Liability for Maritime Claims, 1976, the Government of the French Republic reiterates its decision, declared on depositing its instrument of approval of the above-mentioned Convention, to exclude all entitlement to limitation of liability for claims relating to paragraphs 1(d) and 1(e), article 2 of the Convention."

The Nairobi International Convention on the Removal of Wrecks, 2007 will enter into force for France on 4 May 2016, in accordance with article 18(2) of the Convention.

There are, at present, 27 Contracting States to the Convention.