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**PROTOCOL OF 1988 RELATING TO THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION
FOR THE SAFETY OF LIFE AT SEA, 1974**

Accession by Saudi Arabia

The Secretary-General of the International Maritime Organization has the honour to refer to the Protocol of 1988 relating to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974, and to state that accession by the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia was effected by deposit of an instrument on 7 August 2015.

The Protocol will enter into force for Saudi Arabia on 7 November 2015, in accordance with article V, paragraph 3, of the Protocol.

There are, at present, 108 Contracting States to the Protocol, representing approximately 95.30%* of the gross tonnage of the world's merchant shipping.

* This tonnage percentage is based on world tonnage figures provided by IHS/Fairplay, effective as of 31 December 2014. Tonnage figures are liable to fluctuate from year to year.