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**INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON THE CONTROL OF
HARMFUL ANTI-FOULING SYSTEMS ON SHIPS, 2001**

Accession by Saint Lucia

The Secretary-General of the International Maritime Organization has the honour to refer to the International Convention on the Control of Harmful Anti-fouling Systems on Ships, 2001, and to state that, in accordance with article 17(3) of the Convention, accession by Saint Lucia was effected by the deposit of an instrument on 2 December 2020.

The Convention will enter into force for Saint Lucia on 2 March 2021, in accordance with article 18(3) of the Convention.

There are, at present, 91 Contracting States to the Convention, representing approximately 96.13%* of the gross tonnage of the world's merchant shipping.

* Tonnage calculated as of 2 December 2020, based on world tonnage figures provided by IHS Maritime and Trade current as of 31 December 2019.