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**INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON STANDARDS OF TRAINING,
CERTIFICATION AND WATCHKEEPING FOR
SEAFARERS (STCW), 1978, AS AMENDED**

**Promulgation of information related to reports of independent evaluation submitted by
Parties to the International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and
Watchkeeping for Seafarers (STCW), 1978, as amended, confirmed by the Maritime Safety
Committee to have communicated information which demonstrates that Parties are giving
full and complete effect to the relevant provisions of the Convention**

1 The Maritime Safety Committee (MSC), at its seventy-seventh session (28 May to 6 June 2003), seventy-eighth session (12 to 21 May 2004), seventy-ninth session (1 to 10 December 2004), eightieth session (11 to 20 May 2005), eighty-first session (10 to 19 May 2006), eighty-second session (29 November to 8 December 2006), eighty-third session (3 to 12 October 2007), eighty-fourth session (7 to 16 May 2008) and eighty-fifth session (26 November to 5 December 2008), received reports by the Secretary-General pursuant to regulation I/7, paragraph 2 of the International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers (STCW Convention), 1978, as amended, related to the reports of independent evaluation carried out pursuant to regulation I/8, paragraph 2.

2 The Committee noted that, in preparing the reports required by STCW regulation I/7, paragraph 2, the Secretary-General had solicited and taken into account the views of competent persons selected from the list established pursuant to paragraph 5 of section A-I/7 of the STCW Code and circulated as MSC/Circ.797, as revised from time to time.

3 In accordance with STCW regulation I/7, paragraph 3, the Committee confirmed that the STCW Parties, listed in the Secretary-General's report, which had communicated their report of independent evaluation pursuant to regulation I/8, paragraph 3, demonstrated that they were continuing to give full and complete effect to the relevant provisions of the STCW Convention, 1978, as amended.

4 The list at annex contains those STCW Parties, confirmed at various sessions of the Committee to have communicated information pursuant to regulation I/7 demonstrating that they were giving full and complete effect to the relevant provisions of the STCW Convention and indicating:

- .1 due date of report of independent evaluation;
- .2 date of report of independent evaluation communicated to the Secretary-General (if applicable); and

- .3 outcome of the process of evaluation of the reports of independent evaluation communicated by the STCW Parties demonstrating that they are continuing to give full and complete effect to the relevant provisions of the STCW Convention.

5 The Committee noted that, as the process of communicating and evaluating information related to reports of independent evaluation is continuing, the list at annex may be updated at subsequent meetings.

6 The Committee draws the attention of maritime administrations, shipowners, ship operators and managers, ship masters and other parties concerned to the following:

- .1 not all of the STCW Parties listed at annex provide seafarer training, and some of those Parties listed may only provide a limited range of training; and
- .2 the fact that a Party is listed in the annex does not relieve those concerned of their obligations under the STCW Convention.

ANNEX

Confirmed STCW Party* (regulation I/7)	Independent evaluation (regulation I/8)		
	Due date of report to be communicated to the Secretary-General	Date report communicated to the Secretary-General	Confirmed by MSC
Algeria	01/02/2004	04/02/2004	✓
Antigua and Barbuda	01/02/2004	03/10/2003	✓
Argentina	01/02/2004	15/01/2004	✓
Australia ¹	27/02/2009	11/08/2008	
Azerbaijan	01/04/2004	30/11/2004	✓
Bahamas	01/02/2004	25/08/2004	✓
Bahrain	01/02/2004	10/02/2006	✓
Bangladesh	01/02/2004	04/10/2004	✓
Barbados	01/02/2004	30/09/2005	✓
Belgium	01/02/2004	02/02/2004	✓
Belize	01/02/2004	27/07/2004	✓
Brazil	01/02/2004	04/02/2004	✓
Brunei Darussalam	01/02/2004	01/11/2005	✓
Bulgaria	01/02/2004	24/03/2005	✓
Cambodia	08/03/2008		
Canada	01/02/2004	02/04/2004	✓
Cape Verde	01/02/2004	31/05/2007	
Chile	01/02/2004	19/05/2005	✓
China	01/02/2004	14/01/2004	✓
China (Hong Kong SAR) ²	01/02/2004	30/01/2004	✓
Colombia	01/02/2004	05/06/2006	
Comoros	22/08/2007		
Côte d'Ivoire	01/02/2004		
Croatia	01/02/2004	10/06/2002	✓
Cuba	01/02/2004	09/11/2004	✓
Cyprus	01/02/2004	29/01/2004	✓
Czech Republic	01/02/2004	01/11/2005	✓
Democratic People's Republic of Korea	01/02/2004	02/02/2004	✓
Denmark ³	01/02/2004	26/01/2004	✓
Dominica	21/03/2007	06/09/2007	✓
Ecuador	01/02/2004	03/02/2004	✓
Egypt ¹	23/01/2009	19/11/2008	
Estonia ¹	18/05/2008	08/10/2008	
Ethiopia	01/02/2004	20/02/2006	✓
Fiji	01/02/2004		
Finland ¹	09/09/2007	16/07/2007	✓
France	01/02/2004	19/05/2005	✓
Georgia	01/02/2004	31/01/2003	✓
Germany	01/02/2004	26/01/2004	✓
Ghana	01/02/2004	27/01/2004	✓
Greece	01/02/2004	27/01/2004	✓
Honduras	01/02/2004	22/06/2005	✓
Hungary	01/02/2004	15/12/2006	✓
Iceland	01/02/2004	10/11/2004	✓
India	01/02/2004	23/12/2003	✓
Indonesia	01/02/2004	10/02/2004	✓

¹ Second Cycle Report.

² Associate Member to IMO.

³ Includes: Faroe Islands.

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Iran (Islamic Republic of)	01/02/2004	02/08/2004	✓
Ireland	01/02/2004	16/12/2004	✓
Israel	01/02/2004	13/04/2004	✓
Italy	01/02/2004		
Jamaica	01/02/2004	03/02/2004	✓
Japan	01/02/2004	28/01/2004	✓
Jordan (The Hashemite Kingdom of)	17/02/2007	21/02/2007	✓
Kiribati	07/02/2004	03/06/2008	✓
Kuwait	22/02/2005	28/02/2005	✓
Latvia	01/02/2004	09/01/2004	✓
Lebanon	01/02/2004		
Liberia	01/02/2004	14/04/2004	✓
Lithuania	01/02/2004	18/07/2003	✓
Luxembourg	01/02/2004	09/01/2003	✓
Madagascar	01/02/2004	06/08/2006	✓
Malaysia	01/02/2004	23/08/2004	✓
Maldives	01/02/2004	11/06/2004	✓
Malta	01/02/2004	15/11/2004	✓
Marshall Islands	01/02/2004	22/11/2004	✓
Mauritania	06/08/2004		
Mauritius	01/02/2004	20/02/2006	✓
Mexico	01/02/2004	25/08/2005	✓
Micronesia (Federated States of)	14/04/2005		
Montenegro** (Part of Ex. Yugoslavia)	01/02/2004	02/11/2005	✓
Morocco	22/04/2004	02/09/2004	✓
Mozambique	01/02/2004		
Myanmar	22/08/2007	11/01/2007	✓
Netherlands ⁴	01/02/2004	04/02/2004	✓
New Zealand ⁵	01/02/2004	10/12/2004	✓
Nigeria	01/02/2004	10/01/2005	✓
Norway	01/02/2004	03/02/2004	✓
Oman	01/02/2004		
Pakistan	01/02/2004	26/01/2004	✓
Panama	01/02/2004	11/05/2004	✓
Papua New Guinea	01/02/2004	26/05/2006	✓
Peru	01/02/2004	04/11/2005	✓
Philippines	01/02/2004	29/01/2004	✓
Poland	01/02/2004	27/02/2004	✓
Portugal	01/02/2004	23/11/2004	✓
Qatar	29/02/2009		
Republic of Korea ¹	21/01/2007	01/08/2006	✓
Romania ¹	14/05/2007	02/04/2007	
Russian Federation	01/02/2004	02/02/2004	✓
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	01/02/2004	10/05/2004	✓
Samoa	01/02/2004		
Saudi Arabia	01/02/2004		
Senegal	01/02/2004		

⁴ Includes: Netherlands Antilles and Aruba.

⁵ Does not include Cook Islands.

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Serbia** (Part of Ex. Yugoslavia)	01/02/2004		
Singapore	01/02/2004	12/10/2004	✓
Slovak Republic	01/02/2004	05/01/2006	✓
Slovenia	01/02/2004	03/02/2004	✓
Solomon Islands	01/02/2004	13/10/2004	
South Africa	01/02/2004	04/09/2006	✓
Spain	01/02/2004	30/01/2004	✓
Sri Lanka	01/02/2004	10/05/2004	✓
Sweden	01/02/2004	26/01/2004	✓
Switzerland	01/02/2004	25/01/2006	✓
Syrian Arab Republic	20/04/2008		
Thailand	19/03/2004	23/01/2006	
Tonga	01/02/2004	17/07/2003	✓
Trinidad and Tobago	01/02/2004	26/09/2006	✓
Tunisia	01/02/2004	24/05/2005	✓
Turkey	01/02/2004	29/01/2004	✓
Tuvalu	01/02/2004	14/10/2005	✓
Ukraine	01/02/2004	30/01/2004	✓
United Arab Emirates	01/02/2004		
United Kingdom ⁶	01/02/2004	15/04/2004	✓
- Bermuda	01/02/2004	04/02/2005	✓
- Cayman Islands	01/02/2004	24/02/2005	✓
- Gibraltar	01/02/2004	09/02/2005	✓
- Isle of Man	01/02/2004	04/02/2005	✓
United Republic of Tanzania	01/02/2004	20/02/2006	✓
United States	01/02/2004	23/01/2004	✓
Uruguay	01/02/2004	26/01/2004	✓
Vanuatu	01/02/2004	15/11/2004	✓
Venezuela	01/02/2004	06/01/2006	
Viet Nam	01/02/2004	06/04/2004	✓

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** As from 4 February 2003, the name of the State of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia was changed to Serbia and Montenegro. Following the dissolution of the State of Serbia and Montenegro on 3 June 2006, all treaty actions relating to the provisions of the STCW Convention undertaken by Serbia and Montenegro continue to be in force with respect to the Republic of Serbia and the Republic of Montenegro with effect from the same date, i.e. 3 June 2006.

⁶ Includes: Bermuda
Cayman Islands
Gibraltar
Isle of Man.