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**PROTOCOL ON PREPAREDNESS, RESPONSE AND CO-OPERATION TO POLLUTION
INCIDENTS BY HAZARDOUS AND NOXIOUS SUBSTANCES, 2000**

Accession by Saint Lucia

The Secretary-General of the International Maritime Organization has the honour to refer to the Protocol on Preparedness, Response and Co-operation to Pollution Incidents by Hazardous and Noxious Substances, 2000, and to state that, in accordance with article 13(2) of the Protocol, accession by Saint Lucia was effected by deposit of an instrument on 2 December 2020.

The Protocol will enter into force for Saint Lucia on 2 March 2021, in accordance with article 15(3) of the Protocol.

There are, at present, 41 Contracting States to the Protocol.
