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

**Accession by Chile**

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 of the Convention, accession by the Republic of Chile was effected by the deposit of an instrument on 6 October 2016.

The Convention will enter into force for Chile on 6 January 2017, in accordance with article 18(3) of the Convention.

There are, at present, 74 Contracting States to the Convention, representing approximately 93.61%\* of the gross tonnage of the world's merchant shipping.

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\* Tonnage calculated as at 6 October 2016 based on world tonnage figures provided by IHS Maritime and Trade, current as of 30 September 2016.