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**ACCEPTANCE OF THE
AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION**

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1. At its Seventy-sixth Session, the Council adopted amendments to the Constitution (Council Resolution No. 997 of 24 November 1998). According to Article 30, paragraph 2, of the Constitution, the entry into force of the amendments is subject to acceptance, in accordance with their respective constitutional processes, by two thirds of the Member States.
2. These amendments aim at strengthening the structure and streamlining the decision-making process of IOM. They represent an important development for the future of the Organization. The Council, in the above-mentioned resolution and again in Council Resolution No. 1013 of 1 December 1999, called upon the Member States to accept these amendments as early as possible and to inform the Director General accordingly. Similar calls have been made over time by various Chairpersons of the Council and the Director General of IOM to States that had not yet accepted the amendments. The IOM Legal Counsel continues to conduct meetings with ambassadors and other senior staff of these States to further advance the acceptance of the amendments.
3. To date, 88 States have notified the Director General of their acceptance of the amendments (see Annex I), out of a total membership of 146 States. In order for the amendments to enter into force, ratifications are required from two thirds of the Member States which currently is 98 ratifications.
4. Member States that have not yet accepted the amendments (see Annex II) are once again invited to do so as soon as possible as a matter of priority and to notify the Director General accordingly.

Annex I

**MEMBER STATES HAVING ACCEPTED THE AMENDMENTS
TO THE CONSTITUTION**

| <u>Member State</u> | <u>Notification of acceptance received on:</u> |
|---------------------------------|--|
| 1. Slovakia | 8 February 1999 |
| 2. Denmark | 16 April 1999 |
| 3. Finland | 23 April 1999 |
| 4. Republic of Korea | 26 May 1999 |
| 5. Czech Republic | 2 June 1999 |
| 6. Bulgaria | 20 July 1999 |
| 7. Tunisia | 17 January 2000 |
| 8. Thailand | 26 January 2000 |
| 9. Greece | 10 March 2000 |
| 10. Croatia | 3 May 2000 |
| 11. Hungary | 19 May 2000 |
| 12. Japan | 23 May 2000 |
| 13. Algeria | 8 August 2000 |
| 14. Norway | 28 August 2000 |
| 15. United Republic of Tanzania | 26 October 2000 |
| 16. Romania | 4 April 2001 |
| 17. Latvia | 8 October 2001 |
| 18. Sierra Leone | 12 October 2001 |
| 19. Lithuania | 19 March 2002 |
| 20. France | 20 March 2002 |
| 21. Azerbaijan | 18 June 2002 |
| 22. Mali | 13 September 2002 |
| 23. Mauritania | 13 June 2003 |
| 24. New Zealand | 13 June 2003 |
| 25. United States of America | 1 July 2003 |
| 26. Malta | 3 May 2004 |
| 27. Afghanistan | 4 June 2004 |
| 28. Libya | 4 June 2004 |
| 29. Bahamas | 30 November 2004 |

| | <u>Member State</u> | <u>Notification of acceptance received on:</u> |
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| 30. | Estonia | 30 November 2004 |
| 31. | Brazil | 30 November 2004 |
| 32. | Turkey | 30 November 2004 |
| 33. | Netherlands | 16 December 2004 |
| 34. | Jamaica | 9 June 2005 |
| 35. | Bosnia and Herzegovina | 9 June 2005 |
| 36. | Morocco | 10 June 2005 |
| 37. | Cameroon | 29 November 2005 |
| 38. | Ghana | 29 November 2005 |
| 39. | Belarus | 29 November 2005 |
| 40. | Togo | 29 November 2005 |
| 41. | Slovenia | 1 February 2006 |
| 42. | Mauritius | 8 June 2006 |
| 43. | Spain | 8 June 2006 |
| 44. | Montenegro | 28 November 2006 |
| 45. | Nepal | 28 November 2006 |
| 46. | Australia | 2 February 2007 |
| 47. | Sweden | 20 March 2007 |
| 48. | Belgium | 15 June 2007 |
| 49. | Burundi | 27 November 2007 |
| 50. | Viet Nam | 27 November 2007 |
| 51. | Senegal | 15 January 2008 |
| 52. | Ukraine | 7 February 2008 |
| 53. | Mexico | 23 April 2008 |
| 54. | Mongolia | 18 June 2008 |
| 55. | Somalia | 18 June 2008 |
| 56. | Cambodia | 22 April 2009 |
| 57. | Trinidad and Tobago | 29 June 2009 |
| 58. | Namibia | 29 June 2009 |
| 59. | Ecuador | 24 July 2009 |
| 60. | Madagascar | 18 June 2010 |
| 61. | Republic of Moldova | 17 September 2010 |
| 62. | Colombia | 4 November 2010 |

| <u>Member State</u> | <u>Notification of acceptance received on:</u> |
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| 63. Lesotho | 29 November 2010 |
| 64. Central African Republic | 29 November 2010 |
| 65. Timor-Leste | 29 November 2010 |
| 66. Botswana | 29 November 2010 |
| 67. Swaziland | 29 November 2010 |
| 68. Albania | 23 May 2011 |
| 69. Bolivia (Plurinational State of) | 28 July 2011 |
| 70. Georgia | 12 August 2011 |
| 71. Djibouti | 5 December 2011 |
| 72. Chad | 5 December 2011 |
| 73. Ethiopia | 5 December 2011 |
| 74. Maldives | 5 December 2011 |
| 75. Guyana | 5 December 2011 |
| 76. Nauru | 5 December 2011 |
| 77. Comoros | 5 December 2011 |
| 78. Antigua and Barbuda | 5 December 2011 |
| 79. Holy See | 5 December 2011 |
| 80. Micronesia (Federated States of) | 5 December 2011 |
| 81. South Sudan | 5 December 2011 |
| 82. Mozambique | 5 December 2011 |
| 83. Seychelles | 5 December 2011 |
| 84. Vanuatu | 5 December 2011 |
| 85. Congo | 14 December 2011 |
| 86. Nicaragua | 29 March 2012 |
| 87. Uganda | 4 April 2012 |
| 88. Uruguay | 9 November 2012 |

Annex II

**MEMBER STATES YET TO ACCEPT THE AMENDMENTS
TO THE CONSTITUTION**

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| 1. Angola | 34. Kenya |
| 2. Argentina | 35. Kyrgyzstan |
| 3. Armenia | 36. Liberia |
| 4. Austria | 37. Luxembourg |
| 5. Bangladesh | 38. Niger |
| 6. Belize | 39. Nigeria |
| 7. Benin | 40. Pakistan |
| 8. Burkina Faso | 41. Panama |
| 9. Canada | 42. Paraguay |
| 10. Cape Verde | 43. Peru |
| 11. Chile | 44. Philippines |
| 12. Costa Rica | 45. Poland |
| 13. Côte d'Ivoire | 46. Portugal |
| 14. Cyprus | 47. Rwanda |
| 15. Democratic Republic of the Congo | 48. Serbia |
| 16. Dominican Republic | 49. South Africa |
| 17. Egypt | 50. Sri Lanka |
| 18. El Salvador | 51. Sudan |
| 19. Gabon | 52. Switzerland |
| 20. Gambia | 53. Tajikistan |
| 21. Germany | 54. United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland |
| 22. Guatemala | 55. Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) |
| 23. Guinea | 56. Yemen |
| 24. Guinea-Bissau | 57. Zambia |
| 25. Haiti | 58. Zimbabwe |
| 26. Honduras | |
| 27. India | |
| 28. Iran (Islamic Republic of) | |
| 29. Ireland | |
| 30. Israel | |
| 31. Italy | |
| 32. Jordan | |
| 33. Kazakhstan | |