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**INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON OIL POLLUTION PREPAREDNESS,
RESPONSE AND CO-OPERATION, 1990**

Accession by Switzerland

The Secretary-General of the International Maritime Organization has the honour to refer to the International Convention on Oil Pollution Preparedness, Response and Co-operation, 1990, and to state that, in accordance with article 15 accession by the Swiss Confederation was effected by deposit of an instrument on 4 July 1996.

The Convention will enter into force for Switzerland on 4 October 1996, in accordance with the provisions of article 16.

There are, at present, twenty-nine Contracting States to the Convention.
