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**INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON STANDARDS OF TRAINING,
CERTIFICATION AND WATCHKEEPING FOR SEAFARERS, 1978**

Accession by the Islamic Republic of Iran

The Secretary-General of the International Maritime Organization has the honour to refer to the International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers, 1978, and to state that, in accordance with article XIII, accession by the Islamic Republic of Iran was effected by the deposit of an instrument on 1 August 1996.

The Convention will enter into force for the Islamic Republic of Iran on 1 November 1996, in accordance with article XIV.

There are at present one hundred and twenty Contracting States to the Convention.
