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

Accession by Namibia and Yemen

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 Republic of Namibia and the Republic of Yemen was effected by the deposit of instruments on 24 January 2005 and 14 February 2005, respectively.

The Convention will enter into force for Namibia on 24 April 2005 and for Yemen on 14 May 2005, in accordance with article XIV.

There are, at present, one hundred and forty-nine Contracting States to the Convention.
