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

Accession by Nicaragua

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 Nicaragua was affected by the deposit of an instrument on 9 March 2009.

The Convention will enter into force for Nicaragua on 9 June 2009, in accordance with article XIV.

There are, at present, one hundred and fifty-three Contracting States to the Convention.
