

**1. d) Amendments to the title and substantive provisions of the Convention on
the International Maritime Organization**

London, 14 November 1975 and 9 November 1977

- ENTRY INTO FORCE:** 22 May 1982 for all Members of the Organization, in accordance with article 51 of the Convention except for the amendment to article 51 which entered into force on 28 July 1982 in accordance with article 62 of the Convention as amended (Article 52, which was renumbered as Article 51 by Resolution [315 \(ES.V\)](/doc/source/docs/A_315_ES.V-E.pdf) of 17 October 1974, is renumbered as Article 62 by Resolution [A.358 \(IX\)](/doc/source/docs/A_358_IX-E.pdf) of 14 November 1975)*.
- REGISTRATION:** 22 May 1982, No. 4214.¹
- STATUS:** Parties*.
- TEXT:** United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 1276, p. 468; and vol. 1285, p. 318.

Note: See " Note: " at beginning of chapter XII.1.

The amendments were adopted by the Assembly of the Organization by resolution [A.358 \(IX\)](#) of 14 November 1975 and [A.371 \(X\)](#) of 9 November 1977 [rectification of resolution A.358 (IX)].

Note: Pursuant to article 53 of the Convention, the acceptance of an amendment shall be made by the communication of an instrument to the Secretary-General of the Organization for deposit with the Secretary-General of the United Nations. Following is the list of States which had accepted the Amendments to the Convention prior to their entry into force.

*See chapter XII.1 for the complete list of Participants, Members of the International Maritime Organization, for which the above amendments are in force, pursuant to article 71 of the Convention as amended.

<i>Participant²</i>	<i>Acceptance(A)</i>	<i>Participant²</i>	<i>Acceptance(A)</i>
Algeria	6 Jul 1976 A	Egypt.....	16 Nov 1976 A
Angola	6 Jun 1977 A	El Salvador	12 Feb 1981 A
Argentina	31 Dec 1979 A	Ethiopia.....	2 Feb 1979 A
Australia.....	10 Jun 1980 A	Finland.....	19 Oct 1976 A
Bahamas (The).....	1 Mar 1979 A	France	1 Feb 1977 A
Bahrain.....	25 Apr 1980 A	Gambia.....	11 Jan 1979 A
Bangladesh.....	8 Oct 1979 A	Germany ^{3,4}	24 Oct 1977 A
Barbados	30 Aug 1977 A	Ghana.....	5 Feb 1980 A
Belgium	28 Apr 1978 A	Greece.....	28 Jul 1981 A
Brazil	1 Aug 1977 A	Guinea.....	1 Apr 1977 A
Bulgaria	4 Mar 1980 A	Guinea-Bissau.....	6 Dec 1977 A
Cabo Verde.....	23 Apr 1980 A	Guyana.....	13 May 1980 A
Canada	22 Apr 1977 A	Hungary	31 Mar 1980 A
Chile.....	20 Mar 1978 A	Iceland	28 Jul 1980 A
China.....	14 Mar 1979 A	India	1 May 1978 A
Côte d'Ivoire	4 Nov 1981 A	Iraq.....	5 Sep 1979 A
Cuba.....	27 Dec 1979 A	Ireland.....	27 Oct 1981 A
Cyprus.....	6 Dec 1977 A	Israel	31 Dec 1979 A
Denmark	18 Sep 1976 A	Jamaica	9 Apr 1979 A
Djibouti	20 Feb 1979 A	Jordan.....	5 Apr 1977 A
Dominica	18 Dec 1979 A	Kuwait	28 Dec 1978 A

<i>Participant²</i>	<i>Acceptance(A)</i>
Liberia.....	19 Nov 1979 A
Libya.....	13 Sep 1976 A
Malaysia.....	12 Apr 1982 A
Maldives.....	25 Feb 1980 A
Malta.....	23 Apr 1979 A
Mexico.....	19 Dec 1980 A
Morocco ⁵	25 Jul 1980 A
Myanmar.....	29 Jan 1980 A
Nepal.....	31 Jan 1979 A
Netherlands (Kingdom of the) ⁶	19 Jul 1977 A
New Zealand.....	15 Aug 1978 A
Nicaragua.....	17 Mar 1982 A
Norway.....	8 Aug 1977 A
Oman.....	22 May 1981 A
Pakistan.....	23 Jan 1981 A
Panama.....	22 Jun 1977 A
Peru.....	21 Jan 1980 A
Philippines.....	17 Nov 1981 A
Poland.....	13 Feb 1979 A
Portugal.....	3 Mar 1980 A
Qatar.....	19 May 1977 A

<i>Participant²</i>	<i>Acceptance(A)</i>
Republic of Korea.....	19 Sep 1978 A
Romania.....	25 Jul 1977 A
Russian Federation.....	2 Jul 1979 A
Saudi Arabia.....	1 Aug 1979 A
Seychelles.....	13 Jun 1978 A
Singapore.....	15 Jun 1979 A
Spain.....	14 Apr 1981 A
Sri Lanka.....	12 Jul 1977 A
St. Lucia.....	10 Apr 1980 A
St. Vincent and the Grenadines.....	29 Apr 1981 A
Suriname.....	11 Apr 1979 A
Sweden.....	23 Mar 1977 A
Switzerland.....	22 May 1981 A
Thailand.....	20 Feb 1981 A
Tunisia.....	1 Aug 1979 A
United Arab Emirates ⁷	4 Mar 1980 A
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland ⁸	22 Feb 1980 A
United Republic of Tanzania.....	23 Apr 1979 A
United States of America ¹	28 Aug 1980 A
Uruguay.....	17 Dec 1980 A

Notes:

¹ Amendments to article 51 were registered on 28 July 1982 under No. 4214.

² The former Yugoslavia had accepted the amendments on 4 August 1980. See also note 1 under "Bosnia and Herzegovina", "Croatia", "former Yugoslavia", "Slovenia", "The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia" and "Yugoslavia" in the "Historical Information" section in the front matter of this volume.

³ The German Democratic Republic had deposited its instrument of acceptance of the amendments on 29 November 1977. See also note 2 under "Germany" in the "Historical Information" section in the front matter of this volume.

⁴ See note 1 under "Germany" regarding Berlin (West) in the "Historical Information" section in the front matter of this volume.

⁵ With the same declaration as the one made in respect of the Convention on the International Maritime Organization.

⁶ For the Kingdom in Europe and the Netherlands Antilles. See also note 1 under "Netherlands" regarding Aruba/Netherlands Antilles in the "Historical Information" section in the front matter of this volume.

⁷ With regard to the said reservation, the Government of

Israel, in communication received by the Secretary-General on 25 July 1980, stated the following:

"The instrument deposited by the Government of the United Arab Emirates contains a statement of political pronouncements, which are moreover, in flagrant contradiction to the principles, objects and purposes of the Organization. That pronouncement by the Government of the United Arab Emirates cannot in any way affect whatever obligations are binding upon the United Arab Emirates, under general international law or under particular treaties."

The Government of Israel will, insofar as concerns the substance of the matter, adopt towards the Government the United Arab Emirates an attitude of complete reciprocity."

⁸ 22 February 1980: acceptance of the amendments except those relating to article 51 of the Convention.

In a communication accompanying the instrument of acceptance, the Government of the United Kingdom stated the following:

"Although this instrument does not include the amendments to article 51 and should not therefore be counted among the acceptances required for the coming into force of those amendments, [the Secretary of State writes] to inform [the Secretary-General], for the sake of clarification, that the Government of the United Kingdom does not wish to make a "declaration" of non-acceptance under the provisions of the

present article 51, and will consider itself bound by the amendments to article 51 when these come into force for all Members of IMCO."

28 September 1981: acceptance of amendments to article 51.