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Entry into force: 2-3 March 1998

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Date of signature: 18 October 1990

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Date of Accession: 10 September 2008

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Date of signature: 3 December 1997

Date of Ratification: 2 December 1998

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Date of Ratification: 18 April 1995

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Date of Ratification: 18 April 1995

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Date of Ratification: 7 January 1993

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Date of signature:

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Date of signature: 12 June 1992

Date of Ratification: 7 January 1993

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Date of Accession: 14 August 2012

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Date of Accession: 21 May 2004

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Date of Acceptance: 3 December 1984

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Date of Acceptance: 7 July 2004

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Date of signature: 29 June 2004

Date of Ratification: 21 June 2011

Entry into Force: 19 September 2011

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Date of signature: -

Date of Accession: 1 February 2002

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Date of signature:

Date of Accession: 13 October 2006

Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (18 December 1975)

Date of signature:

Date of Accession: 25 April 1985

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Date of signature:

Date of Accession: 20 January 2006

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Date of signature: 16 May 1986

Date of Ratification: 5 December 1988

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Date of signature: 26 January 1990

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Date of Adoption: 28 June 1930

Date of Entry into force: 1 May 1932

Date of Ratification: 12 October 2000

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Date of adoption: 25 June 1957

Date of Ratification: 12 October 2000

Date of Entry into force: 17 January 1959

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Date of Adoption: 17 June 1999

Date of Entry into force: 19 November 2000

Date of Ratification: 12 October 2000

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Date of Accession: 16 August, 1995

Date of Entry into Force: 16 November 1995

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Date of Accession: 3 January 1995

Date of Entry into Force: 9 April 1995

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Date of Accession: 27 July 2005

Date of Entry into Force: 27 October 2005

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Date of Accession: 3 January 1995

Date of Entry into Force: 9 April 1995

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Date of Accession: 27 July 2005

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Date of Accession: 14 February 1986

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Date of Accession: 14 February 1986

Protocol Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 12 August 1949, and relating to the Protection of Victims of International Armed Conflicts (8 June 1977)

Date of Accession: 14 February 1986

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Date of Accession: 14 February 1986

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Agreement establishing the International Fund for Agricultural Development (13 June 1976)

Date of signature:

Date of Accession: 21 January 1986

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Date of signature:

Date of Accession: 11 December 1985

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Date of Adoption: 26 June 1973

Date of Entry into force: 19 June 1976

Date of Ratification: 3 June 2005

Worst Forms of Child Labour Convention, 1999 (No.182)

Date of Adoption: 17 June 1999

Date of Entry into force: 19 November 2000

Date of Ratification: 12 October 2000

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Date of Adoption: 29 June 1951

Date of Entry into force: 23 May 1953

Date of Ratification: 25 August 2000

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Date of Adoption: 25 June 1958

Date of Entry into force: 15 June 1960

Date of Ratification: 25 August 2000

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Forced Labour Convention, 1930 (No.29)

Date of Adoption: 28 June 1930

Date of Entry into force: 1 May 1932

Date of Ratification: 12 October 2000

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Date of adoption: 25 June 1957

Date of Ratification: 12 October 2000

Date of Entry into force: 17 January 1959

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Date of Adoption: 09 July 1948

Date of Entry into force: 25 August 2000

Date of Ratification: 25 August 2000

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Date of Adoption: 01 July 1949

Date of Entry into force: 04 September 2000

Date of Ratification: 4 September 2000

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Date of signature:

Date of Accession: 9 May 1994

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Date of signature:

Date of Accession: 9 May 1994

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Date of signature: 9 May 1994

Date of Accession: 19 April 1995

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Date of signature: -

Date of Accession: 19 April 1995

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Date of signature: 7 December 1984

Date of Ratification: 7 January 1993

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Date of Accession: 15 June 2010

Entry into Force: 15 September 2010

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Date of signature:

Date of Acceptance: 8 October 2001

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Date of signature:

Date of Acceptance: 8 October 2001

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Date of Accession: 11 June 2004

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Adoption: 17 February 1978

Date of Accession: 11 June 2004

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Adoption: 11 November 1988

Date of Accession: 11 June 2004

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Adoption: 10 March 1988

Date of Accession: 17 January 2002

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Date of Accession: 11 June 2004

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Adoption: 11 November 1988

Date of Accession: 11 June 2004

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Adoption: 20 October 1972

Date of Accession: 11 June 2004

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Date of Adoption: 2 April 1993

Date of Accession: 30 August 2005

International Convention on the Control of Harmful Anti-Fouling Systems on Ships, 2001 (AFS 2001)

Adoption: 5 October 2001

Date of Accession: 30 August 2005

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Date of Accession: 24 December 1997

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Adoption: 15 October 2004

Date of Accession: 24 December 1997

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Adoption: October 2006

Date of Accession: 24 December 1997

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Date of Accession: 24 December 1997

The 2004 (October) Amendments

Adoption: 15 October 2004

Entry into force: 1 January 2007

Annex V

Date of Accession: 24 December 1997

The instrument of accession of Saint Kitts and Nevis was accompanied by the following reservation:

"The Federation of Saint Kitts and Nevis will find it difficult on the practical level to implement the inspection and equipment requirements of MARPOL. There is concern about the ability to meet the equipment requirements. Secondly, there is concern about the necessary expertise to carry out the inspection process. Such expertise is very scarce in the Federation."

Protocol OF 1997 to Amend the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships, 1973, as Modified by the Protocol of 1978 Relating Thereto (MARPOL PROT 1997)

Date of Accession: 2 March 2005

International Convention Relating to Intervention on the High Seas in Cases of Oil Pollution Casualties (INTERVENTION), 1969

Adoption: 29 November 1969

Date of Accession: 7 October 2004

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Adoption: 13 November 1972

Date of Accession: 7 October 2004

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Adoption: 30 November 1990

Date of Accession: 7 October 2004

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Adoption: 29 November 1969

Date of Accession: 14 September 1994

The instrument of accession of Saint Kitts and Nevis contained the following declaration:

"The Government of Saint Kitts and Nevis considers that international law does not authorize States to claim judicial immunity in respect of vessels belonging to them and used by them for commercial purposes."

The Protocol of 1992 (to CLC)

Adoption: 27 November 1992

Date of Accession: 7 October 2004

Protocol of 1992 to Amend the International Convention on the Establishment of an International Fund for Compensation for Oil Pollution Damage, 1971 (FUND PROT 1992)

Adoption: 27 November 1992

Date of Accession: 2 March 2005

International Convention on Civil Liability for Bunker Oil Pollution Damage, 2001

Adoption: 23 March 2001

Date of Accession: 21 October 2009

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Adoption: 3 May 1996

Date of Accession: 7 October 2004

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Date of Accession: 30 August 2005

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Date of Accession: 30 August 2005

Convention on Facilitation of International Maritime Traffic (FAL), 1965

Adoption: 9 April 1965

Date of Accession: 7 October 2004

International Convention on Tonnage Measurement of Ships (TONNAGE), 1969

Adoption: 23 June 1969

Date of Accession: 11 June 2004

International Convention for the Control and Management of Ships' Ballast Water and Sediments, 2004 (BWM 2004) (Not Yet in Force)

Adoption: 13 February 2004

Date of Accession: 30 August 2005

Hong Kong International Convention for the Safe and Environmentally Sound Recycling of Ships, 2009 (HONG KONG CONVENTION) (Not Yet in Force)

Date of Signature: 27 August 2010

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Date of signature:

Date of Accession: 17 January 1991

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Date of signature:

Date of Accession: 28 July 2008

International Convention for the Suppression of Terrorist Bombings (15 December 1997)

Date of signature:

Date of Accession: 16 November 2001

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Date of signature:

Date of Accession: 22 August 2006

International Convention for the Suppression of the Financing of Terrorism (9 December 1999)

Date of signature: 12 November 2001

Date of Ratification: 16 November 2001

United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime (15 November 2000)

Date of signature: 20 November 2001

Date of Ratification: 21 May 2004

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Date of signature:

Date of Accession: 21 May 2004

Protocol against the Smuggling of Migrants by Land, Sea and Air, supplementing the United nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime

Date of signature:

Date of Acceptance: 21 May 2004

Protocol against the Illicit Manufacturing of and Trafficking in Firearms, Their Parts and Components and Ammunition, supplementing the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime (31 May 2001)

Date of signature:

Date of Accession: 21 May 2004

Privileges Immunities, Diplomatic and Consular Relations, etc.

Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of Crimes against Internationally Protected Persons, including Diplomatic Agents (14 December 1973)

Date of signature:

Date of Accession: 28 July 2008

Vienna Convention on Consular Relations (24 April 1963)

Date of Accession: 6 July 2010

Entry into Force: 5 August 2010

Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations (18 April 1961)

Date of Accession: 6 July 2010

Entry into Force: 5 August 2010

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"The Government of Saint Christopher and Nevis considers that questions of succession to such conventions, treaties and other international instruments should be governed by the accepted rules of international law and by the relevant principles contained in the Convention on Succession of States in respect of Treaties done at Vienna on 23rd August 1978."