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**INDUSTRY CAMPAIGN TO PROMOTE MARITIME TREATY RATIFICATION**

**Submitted by ICS and ISF**

**SUMMARY**

*Executive summary:* This document contains information about the latest update of the 'Promoting Maritime Treaty Ratification' brochure.

*Strategic direction:*

*High-level action:*

*Planned output:*

*Action to be taken:* Paragraph 5

*Related documents:*

Introduction

1 As part of the ongoing campaign by national shipowners' associations to promote the ratification of international maritime treaties, ICS and ISF published an update of their 'Promoting Maritime Treaty Ratification' brochure in August 2011.

2 The updated brochure can be downloaded at:

<http://www.ics-shipping.org/Treaty%20Ratification%20Brochure.pdf>

3 While stressing the importance of maritime treaty ratification, the brochure provides updated information on the progress of a variety of instruments adopted by the Organization, and other United Nations bodies. The brochure is intended to support the IMO goal of global regulation for a global industry.

4 The brochure identifies a number of instruments adopted by the Organization which the industry believes that governments should ratify as a matter of priority. These include:

- The International Convention on Control and Management of Ships' Ballast Water (BWM) 2004;

- The Protocol of 1996 to the Convention on Limitation of Liability for Maritime Claims (LLMC) 1976;

- The International Convention for the Safe Recycling of Ships (Hong Kong), 2009;
- Protocol of 2002 to the Athens Convention relating to the Carriage of Passengers and their Luggage by Sea (PAL) 1974;
- MARPOL Protocol of 1997 (MARPOL Annex VI - Prevention of Atmospheric Pollution by Ships);

Action requested of the Sub-Committee

5 The Sub-Committee is invited to note the information above.