

**IALA COUNCIL**  
4th Session



**8-11 June 2026**  
**HQS, SGL**

**15 – MEMBERSHIP (updated)**

***15.2 – Changes in Membership and Resignations***

Note by the Secretary-General

**1. BACKGROUND**

The Secretariat wishes to inform the Council of the following changes and resignations that affect the membership since the last Council meeting in December: The entry into force of the Convention for **5** States and **3** resignations from membership.

**2. CHANGES IN MEMBERSHIP**

**2.1 From Associate membership to Member State**

- **ESTONIA** (*1ESTO01*): The instrument of accession was deposited by Estonia on 9 December and the Convention has entered into force for them on 9 January. Estonia is now a Member State.
- **ECUADOR** (*1ECUA01*): the instrument of ratification was deposited by Ecuador on 25 December and the Convention has entered into force for them on 25 January. Ecuador is now a Member State.
- **LIBYA** (*1LIBY01*): the instrument of accession was deposited by Libya on 7 April. The Convention has entered into force for them on 7 May, making Libya a Member State.
- **CAMEROON** (*1CAME01*): the instrument of ratification was deposited by Cameroon on 14 April. The Convention has entered into force for them on 14 May, making Cameroon a Member State.
- **KUWAIT** (*1KUWA01*): The instrument of accession was deposited on 22 May. The Convention will enter into force for them on 21 June. From there, they will become Member State.

**3. RESIGNATIONS FROM MEMBERSHIP**

**3.1 From Associate Membership**

- **Latvian Maritime Administration**, (*2LATV01*): this organization has been a member since 1994. The resignation was received on 18 December. They hope that the Government will soon accede to the Convention. A letter was sent by the Secretary-General underlining the importance for staying a member until this happens. However, no reaction was observed.

**3.2 From Affiliate Industrial membership**

- **Julius Marine GmbH**, Germany (*4GERM14*): this organization has been a member since 2018. The resignation is due to budgetary constraints.



- **Ocean King Marine Service Ltd**, Cyprus (4CYPR02): this organization has been a member since 2024. The resignation was received on 3 March further to a reminder for non-payment of contributions.

#### **THE COUNCIL IS INVITED TO**

Note the changes in membership above under **2** and the resignations under **3**.