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## **NAIROBI INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON THE REMOVAL OF WRECKS, 2007**

### **Ratification by Estonia and accession by Japan**

The Secretary-General of the International Maritime Organization has the honour to refer to the Nairobi International Convention on the Removal of Wrecks, 2007, and to state that, in accordance with article 17(1)(b) of the Convention, ratification by Estonia and accession by Japan were effected by deposit of instruments on 29 June 2020 and 1 July 2020, respectively.

The instruments of ratification by Estonia and accession by Japan contained the following declarations, made pursuant to article 3(2) of the Convention:

"The Estonian Republic will apply the Convention within its territory, including the territorial sea."

"Japan extends the application of this Convention to wrecks located within its territory, including the territorial sea."

The Convention will enter into force for Estonia on 29 September 2020 and for Japan on 1 October 2020, in accordance with article 18(2) of the Convention.

There are, at present, 52 Contracting States to the Convention.

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