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REPORT ON THE STATUS OF THE CONVENTION AND MEMBERSHIP OF THE ORGANIZATION

Note by the Secretary-General

SUMMARY

<i>Executive summary:</i>	This document reports on the status of the Convention and the membership of the Organization as at 31 October 2014
<i>Strategic direction:</i>	2
<i>High-level action:</i>	2.0.1
<i>Planned output:</i>	No related provisions
<i>Action to be taken:</i>	Paragraph 4
<i>Related document:</i>	C 112/16

Membership of the Organization

1 Since the 112th session of the Council in June 2014, there has been no change in the membership of the Organization, which continues to stand at 170. There has also been no change in the number of Associate Members, which continues to stand at three.

2 The Council will recall that three States – the Federated States of Micronesia, the Lao People's Democratic Republic and Niue – have all expressed an interest in joining the Organization and, in this regard, have been provided with the relevant information. Since both the Federated States of Micronesia and the Lao People's Democratic Republic are Members of the United Nations, they may, pursuant to Article 5 of the IMO Convention, become Members of the Organization by depositing the requisite instrument of acceptance of the Convention with the Secretary-General of the United Nations, in accordance with the provisions of Article 76. As regards Niue, since it is not a Member of the United Nations, its application falls under the provisions of Article 7 of the IMO Convention, which requires approval by two thirds of the IMO membership, other than Associate Members. No formal application for membership has, as yet, been received from any of these three States.

3 A list of the whole membership of the Organization can be found in the annex to document C 110/19. Any further developments in this regard will be reported to the Council, as appropriate.

Action requested of the Council

4 The Council is invited to take note of the information provided in this document and to comment or decide, as appropriate.
