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**IMO INTERNATIONAL MARITIME LAW INSTITUTE**

**(a) Report of the Governing Board**

**Note by the Secretary-General**

**SUMMARY**

***Executive summary:*** This document informs the Council of the Report of the Governing Board on its meeting held on 23 April 2003.

***Action to be taken:*** Paragraph 3

***Related documents:*** C 90/25(a)

1 Article 10(h) of the Statute of the IMO International Maritime Law Institute provides that the Governing Board shall report annually through the Secretary-General to the Council on the work of the Institute.

2 The Governing Board of IMLI met on 23 April 2003 to consider the Institute's operations for the academic years 2001/2002 and 2002/2003. A review of the said academic years, together with the recommendations as approved by the Governing Board, is attached at annex.

**Action requested of the Council**

3 The Council is invited to take note of the information contained in this document and its annex and to comment as appropriate.

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## ANNEX

**FOURTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE  
IMO INTERNATIONAL MARITIME LAW INSTITUTE TO THE  
COUNCIL OF THE INTERNATIONAL MARITIME ORGANIZATION**

1. The Secretary-General is pleased to present this report to the Council on the operation of the IMO International Maritime Law Institute.

**(A) Membership of the Governing Board and Faculty**

2. Membership of the Governing Board and the IMLI Faculty is listed on pages 3 and 4 below.

3. The 17<sup>th</sup> session of the Board was held on 23 April 2003 in London and discussed the Institute's academic progress and its financial position for the years 2001/2002, 2002/2003 and 2003/2004 in the light of: the student intake; the funding raised by the Institute; and the auditor's report for the 2001/2002 academic year.

**(B) Academic Year 2001/2002**

4. At the end of the academic year, two examinations in the law of the sea and shipping law were held and the students submitted their dissertations and maritime legislation projects. The external examiners were Mr. Charles Goldie and Prof. Dietrich Kappeler.

5. All participants graduated at a ceremony held on 18 May 2002 at the Malta Maritime Museum. The Secretary-General delivered the graduation address. V.Adm. Okhai M. Akhigbe (Nigeria) delivered the valedictory address.

6. Following the graduation ceremony, IMLI graduates (together with the Director, and Lecturer Mr. Norman Martínez) participated in the traditional field trip to London. Institutions visited by the graduates were IMO, the Royal Courts of Justice, the International Chamber of Shipping, Lloyd's of London and the UK P&I Club (Thomas Miller & Co.). Thomas Miller hosted a boat trip for the graduates on the River Thames.

7. At IMO, the graduates met with Legal Affairs & External Relations Division officials and with the Regional Geographical Focal Points from the Technical Co-operation Division.

**(C) Academic Year 2002/2003**

8. The academic year 2002/2003 started on 16 September 2002. Twenty-two students from 16 countries have enrolled (see pages 5-6). Among these countries, Croatia, Grenada, Suriname and Uruguay are sending students for the first time.

9. The public international law and law of the sea components have been conducted under the usual supervision of the Director. The shipping law and maritime legislation drafting components have been conducted under the supervision of Lecturers Mr. Aref Fakhry, Mr. Norman Martínez and Dr. Ivan Vella. Legislative drafting has continued to require a significant dedication on the part of the Lecturers, in the form of individual tutorials held with the

students. It is noteworthy that a special effort is being made to ensure that the legislative draft prepared by students reflects the needs and characteristics of the legal system of their country.

10. Two students are currently enrolled in the Ph.D. programme. Four more are in the process of being admitted.

11. The Institute organized a number of short and specialized courses.

12. In the current year, a number of visiting fellows lectured at the Institute (see list on pages 7-8).

13. Students completed their legislative drafting projects and dissertations (see lists on pages 9-12).

14. The graduation ceremony will be held on 17 May 2003. The Secretary-General will preside over the graduation.

15. The usual field trip to London will be held following the graduation ceremony.

**(D) Academic Initiatives (2001/2002 – 2002/2003)**

16. At its meeting held on 11 November 2002, the Institute's Academic Committee revised the LL.M Course Syllabus to include a new component titled "International Maritime Security Law."

**(E) Library**

17. The IMLI Library has continued to be the focus of efforts by the Director to improve its holdings. The Library now has in its possession most of the major textbooks in the field of international maritime law. During the current academic year it has expanded its acquisition of texts on different legal systems as part of the Institute's endeavour to develop its Library into a comparative maritime law library. The Library continues to attract book donations from law firms and distinguished personalities. It is worth noting that the collection of national maritime legislation donated by students each year is also expanding. The Library continues to be open until 2000 hours on working days and on certain weekends.

**(F) Information Technology**

18. The academic year 2001/2002 saw a large expansion and improvement of IMLI's IT systems in the form of the new students' network.

19. Resources are currently orientated towards maintenance of facilities.

20. The Institute is in the process of developing an IT mission statement.

**(G) Academic Year 2003/2004**

21. Invitations for the academic year 2003/2004 were circulated by IMO. It is hoped that the response and demand for places in this course will be as successful as that of previous years.

**GOVERNING BOARD**

**ACADEMIC YEAR 2002/2003**

Mr. William A. O'Neil (Chairman)	Secretary-General, International Maritime Organization
Dr. Chandrika Prasad Srivastava, KCMG	Secretary-General Emeritus, International Maritime Organization
The Hon. Prince Bola A. Ajibola	Former Judge, International Court of Justice
Prof. David J. Attard	Director, IMO International Maritime Law Institute
Dr. Philippe Boisson	Communication Director and Legal Adviser, Marine Division, Bureau Veritas
Dr. Joe Fenech	Advocate, former Minister of Justice (Malta)
Mr. Gérard Gasc	Maritime Counsellor and Permanent Representative of France to IMO
Mr. Jim Harrison	Group Legal Director, Lloyd's Register of Shipping
Dr. Jean Hulliger	Director, Swiss Maritime Navigation Office
Sir Robert Y. Jennings, Q.C.	Former President, International Court of Justice
Mr. Christopher Lau	Senior Partner, Ang & Partners
Ms. Dianne Stafford	Director, Legal and Constitutional Affairs, Commonwealth Secretariat
Prof. Frank L. Wiswall, Jr.	Proctor and Advocate in Admiralty; Vice-President, Comité Maritime International

**FACULTY**

**ACADEMIC YEAR 2002/2003**

Professor David J. Attard LL.D., D. Phil. (Oxon.) - Director (Full-Time)

Mr. Aref Fakhry LL.B., LL.M., M.M.M. - Lecturer (Full-Time)

Mr. Norman Martinez Lic., LL.M. - Lecturer (Full-Time)

Dr. Ivan Vella LL.D., LL.M. - Lecturer (Full-Time)

**STUDENTS**

**ACADEMIC YEAR 2002/2003**

	COUNTRY	NAME	OCCUPATION
1.	Libya	Mr. Adel Omar Ahmed ALSIED	Researcher
2.	Nigeria	Ms. Enemo AMAECHI	Senior Legal Officer, National Maritime Authority
3.	Suriname	Mr. Michel AMAFO	Manager, Ship Inspection Dept., Maritime Authority Suriname
4.	Malta	Mr. Kristian BALZAN	Law Graduate
5.	Sierra Leone	Mr. Floyd Alex P. DAVIES	State Counsel, Law Officers Dept.; Lecturer, EMIBEX, Consultancy & Tutorial Unit
6.	Thailand	Mr. Panya DHANPADDAMOANGCOAL	Chief Judge, Supreme Court
7.	Malta	Mr. Stefan Patrick GAUCI	Legal Publisher
8.	Grenada	Mr. Arley Michael GILL	Practicing Attorney in Private Practice
9.	Algeria	Ms. Nadia GUERFI	Principal Administrative Assistant, Traineeships and Upgrading Sub-Directorate, Institute for Fishing and Aquaculture Technologies, Ministry of Fisheries
10.	Panama	Mr. Mario Alberto JULIO Granados	Legal Advisor, Panama Maritime Authority
11.	Tanzania	Mr. Hamadi M. KOSHUMA	Assistant Secretary & Legal Officer, Tanzania Harbours Authority
12.	Bangladesh	Sheikh Rahman MAFIZUR	Senior Assistant Secretary (Sr. Asst. Judge), Ministry of Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs
13.	Malta	Mr. Jesmond MANICARO	Law Graduate

14.	Croatia	Ms. Adriana V. PADOVAN	Law Graduate
15.	Sierra Leone	Ms. Melinda A.P. PALMER	State Counsel, Ministry of Justice
16.	Uruguay	Ms. María Margarita RODRÍGUEZ SALABERRY	Legal Advisor, National Ports Administration
17.	Malta	Ms. Vanessa ROSSIGNAUD	Law Graduate
18.	Vanuatu	Mr. James TARI	Legal Officer, Attorney General's Office
19.	The Gambia	Ms. Rougie THOMASI	Deputy Director of Public Prosecutions, Attorney General's Chambers, Dept. of State for Justice
20.	Georgia	Mr. Levan TSURTSUMIA	Second Secretary, International Law Dept., Ministry of Foreign Affairs
21.	Nigeria	Ms. Queen C. UCHEGBUE	Legal Practitioner, Abuka Ajegbo Ilogu & Nwaogu
22.	Nigeria	Mr. Nansel Audu ZHIMWAN	Port Legal Advisor, Nigerian Ports Authority



**VISITING FELLOWS**

**ACADEMIC YEAR 2002/2003**

1. Dr. Rosalie Balkin (Director, Legal Affairs and External Relations Division, International Maritime Organization)
2. Ms. Claudia Bennett (Assistant Legal Officer, International Transport Workers' Federation)
3. Mr. Archie Bishop (Consultant, Holman, Fenwick & Willan)
4. Dr. Philippe Boisson (Communication Director and Legal Adviser, Marine Division, Bureau Veritas)
5. Mr. Giorgio Bosco (Minister, *Servizio del Contenzioso Diplomatico et dei Trattati*, Ministry of External Affairs [Italy])
6. Dr. Simon Busuttil (Head, Malta-EU Information Centre)
7. Mr. Ernest J. Corrado (Counselor and Consultant, Robins Kaplan, Miller & Ciresi LLP, Attorneys at Law)
8. Dr. G. Beate Czerwenka (Head of Section [Commercial Contracts – Transport Law] and Ministerial Counsellor, Federal Ministry of Justice [Germany])
9. Dr. Darko Domovic (Senior Programme Officer, Regional Marine Pollution Emergency Response Centre for the Mediterranean Sea)
10. Dr. Mahin Faghfour (Chief, Legal Section, Trade Logistics Branch, Division for Services Infrastructure for Development and Trade Efficiency, United Nations Conference on Trade and Development)
11. Dr. Stefano Filletti (Advocate, Maltese Bar {IMLI Class 1999})
12. Mr. Patrick Griggs (Senior Partner, Ince & Co.; President, Comité Maritime International)
13. Mr. Joachim Grismann (Chief, Maritime and Working Time Section, International Labour Standards Department, International Labour Office)
14. Mr. Masamichi Hasebe (Legal Counsel, International Oil Pollution Compensation Funds)
15. Mr. Fotis Karamitsos (Director of Maritime Transport and Intermodality, Directorate-General for Transport and Energy, European Commission)
16. Dr. Andree Kirchner (Consultant for International Law)

17. Mr. Gaetano Librando (Senior Legal Officer, Legal Office, Legal Affairs and External Relations Division, International Maritime Organization)
18. Dr. Dierk Lindemann (Chairman, German Shipowners' Association)
19. Prof. Vaughan Lowe (Chichele Professor of International Law, University of Oxford)
20. Dr. Patricia Mallia (Assistant Lecturer, Department of Public International Law, University of Malta)
21. Mr. David Martin-Clark (Arbitrator, Mediator and Consultant in Shipping and Insurance)
22. Mr. John McPhail (The UK P&I Club)
23. Dr. Ugo Mifsud Bonnici (former President of Malta)
24. Ms. Miren del Olmo (Assistant Secretary, Legal Department, International Transport Workers' Federation)
25. Prof. Marko Pavliha (Head, Maritime and Transport Law Department, Faculty of Maritime Studies and Transportation, University of Ljubljana)
26. Prof. F. Plaza Montero (International Marine Consultant and Advisor to the Spanish Maritime Administration)
27. Mr. Alfred H.E. Popp (Senior General Counsel, Maritime Law Secretariat, Department of Justice [Canada]; Chairman, IMO Legal Committee)
28. Prof. Francis Reynolds (Professor of Law Emeritus, University of Oxford)
29. Mr. D. Bruce Shine (Shine & Mason Law Offices; Adjunct Professor of Law, Appalachian School of Law)
30. Mr. Gunter Weiss (former Head of Delegation of the European Commission to Latvia and Malta)
31. Prof. Frank L. Wiswall, Jr. (Proctor and Advocate in Admiralty; Vice-President, Comité Maritime International)
32. Mr. Godwin Xerri (Maritime Consultant)
33. Capt. Joseph Zerafa (Technical Manager, Malta Maritime Authority)

**LEGISLATIVE DRAFTS**

**ACADEMIC YEAR 2002/2003**

- Mr. Adel Omar Ahmed ALSIED (Libya): *Order relating to the Implementation of the International Convention on Civil Liability for Bunker Oil Pollution Damage 2001*
- Mrs. Enemo AMAECHI (Nigeria): *Merchant Shipping (Repatriation of Seafarers) Regulations*
- Mr. Michel AMAFO (Suriname): *Law for the Exercise of Port State Control*
- Mr. Kristian BALZAN (Malta): *Merchant Shipping (Carriage of Passengers and their Luggage by Sea) Regulations*
- Mr. Floyd Alex P. DAVIES (Sierra Leone): *The Pilotage Authority Act, 2003*
- Mr. Panya DHANPADDAMOANGCOAL (Thailand): *An Act to amend the Carriage of Goods by Sea Act B.E. 2534 (1991)*
- Mr. Stefan Patrick GAUCI (Malta): *Admiralty Court Act, 2003*
- Mr. Arley Michael GILL (Grenada): *Carriage of Goods by Sea Act*
- Ms. Nadia GUERFI (Algeria): *Decree of Ratification of the STCW-F 95 Convention by Algeria and Decree of Implementation of the Standards Relating to the Training, Certification and Watchkeeping of Fishing Vessel Personnel in Algeria*
- Mr. Mario Alberto Julio GRANADOS (Panama): *Law No. \_\_\_ (for the Adoption of the International Convention on Civil Liability for Bunker Oil Pollution Damage, 2001)*
- Mr. Hamadi M. KOSHUMA (Tanzania): *Inland Waterways Transport Bill*
- Sheikh Rahman MAFIZUR (Bangladesh): *The Bangladesh Admiralty Court Act, 2003*
- Mr. Jesmond MANICARO (Malta): *The Protection of Underwater Cultural Heritage (Protection) Act*
- Ms. Adriana Vicenca PADOVAN (Croatia): *Maritime Security Package – Set of Laws and Sub-Legislative Acts for the Implementation of the IMO Maritime Security Standards Set Out in the SUA Convention and Protocol 1988, and Chapter XI of the SOLAS Convention as Amended 2002 and the ISPS Code into the Croatian Legal System*
- Ms. Melinda A.P. PALMER (Sierra Leone): *The Arrest of Ships Act, 2003*

- Ms. María Margarita RODRÍGUEZ SALABERRY (Uruguay): *Law No. \_\_\_\_ on the Carriage of Goods by Sea*
- Ms. Vanessa ROSSIGNAUD (Malta): *Carriage of Goods by Sea (Amendment) Act (2003)*
- Mr. James TARI (Vanuatu): *Marine Pollution (Prevention and Control) Bill No. ... of 2003*
- Ms. Rougie THOMASI (The Gambia): *The Maritime Zones Act, 2003*
- Mr. Levan TSURTSUMIA (Georgia): *The Law on Amendments to the Maritime Code of Georgia – Licenses of Carriage of Passengers by Sea and Permits for Maritime Towage*
- Ms. Queen C. UCHEGBUE (Nigeria): *Safe Containers Act, 2003 No. ...*
- Mr. Nansel Audu ZHIMWAN (Nigeria): *Merchant Shipping (Collision Prevention) Act, 2003*

**DISSERTATIONS**

**ACADEMIC YEAR 2002/2003**

- Mr. Adel Omar ALSIED (Libya): *The 1982 United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea: A Libyan perspective*
- Ms. Enemo AMAECHI (Nigeria): *Issues on Pollution from Offshore Oil Drilling Activities with Special Reference to Liability and Compensation: the Nigerian Perspective*
- Mr. Michel AMAFO (Suriname): *Seafarers' Welfare Convention, 1987: The Surinamese Perspective*
- Mr. Kristian BALZAN (Malta): *The International Convention on Civil Liability for Bunker Oil Pollution, 2001: Extent of Civil Liability and Relative Compensation*
- Mr. Floyd Alex P. DAVIES (Sierra Leone): *The Concept of "Subrogation" in Marine Insurance Law*
- Mr. Panya DHANPADDAMOANGCOAL (Thailand): *The Rights of Suit of the Consignee*
- Mr. Stefan Patrick GAUCI (Malta): *The Ship's Right to Reconvention Under Maltese Admiralty Law*
- Mr. Arley GILL (Grenada): *International Maritime Security: A Critical Analysis of the Current International Regime*
- Ms. Nadia GUERFI (Algeria): *The Training, Certification and Watchkeeping of Fishing Vessel Personnel in Algeria Through the 1995 STCW-F Convention*
- Mr. Mario A. JULIO GRANADOS (Panama): *Limitation of Liability for Maritime Claims: The Panamanian Perspective*
- Mr. Hamadi KOSHUMA (Tanzania): *Maritime Security: A Critical Analysis on Piracy and Terrorism*
- Sheikh Rahman MAFIZUR (Bangladesh): *Co-Operative Maritime Security: An Asian Perspective*
- Mr. Jesmond MANICARO (Malta): *The Protection of Underwater Cultural Heritage under International Law*
- Ms. Adriana Vincenca PADOVAN (Croatia): *Direct Action of a Third Party Against the Insurer in Marine Insurance with A Special Focus on the Developments in Croatian law*

- Ms. Melinda A.P. PALMER (Sierra Leone): *The Safety Regulations of Passenger Ships – The Sierra Leone Perspective*
- Ms. María Margarita RODRÍGUEZ SALABERRY (Uruguay): *The ILO Convention No. 147 and the Protocol of 1996 (Merchant Shipping [Minimum Standards]) with Special Reference to Uruguay*
- Ms. Vanessa ROSSIGNAUD (Malta): *Proposed Amendments to the Salvage Convention 1989 in the Light of the Castor Issue*
- Mr. James TARI (Vanuatu): *Analysis of Some Aspects of International Law of Marine Pollution by Ships in Vanuatu*
- Ms. Rougie THOMASI (The Gambia): *The Regulation of Fishing Activities in the Maritime Zones within the Gambia's Control (A Sub-Regional Approach)*
- Mr. Levan TSURTSUMIA (Georgia): *A Navigational Regime for the Turkish Straits*
- Ms. Queen UCHEGBUE (Nigeria): *An Appraisal of the Law and Practice of General Average in relation to Port of Refuge Expenses*
- Mr. Nansel Audu ZHIMWAN (Nigeria): *Forum Selection in Contracts of Carriage relating to Nigeria*

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