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THE IMO INTERNATIONAL MARITIME LAW INSTITUTE**

THE ASSEMBLY,

RECALLING articles 2(e) and 15(k) of the Convention on the International Maritime Organization concerning the functions of the Organization and the Assembly in relation to the facilitation and promotion of technical co-operation,

RECALLING ALSO that the IMO International Maritime Law Institute (IMLI) was established to serve the global maritime community as the Organization's apex institution for tertiary-level maritime law education, in furtherance of IMO's purposes and objectives,

RECALLING IN PARTICULAR resolutions A.900(21), on *Objectives of the Organization in the 2000s*, and A.934(22), on *Sustainable financial support for the IMO International Maritime Law Institute*, through which the Assembly, respectively, acknowledged the special contribution of IMLI to the attainment of the objectives of the Organization, and reaffirmed the importance and continued necessity of the Institute, as a high-level legal training institution for providing, *inter alia*, technical advice in furtherance of the objectives and goals of the Organization and its Member States,

RECALLING FURTHER that, as a centre of academic excellence in the maritime legal field, IMLI undertakes original and applied research into aspects of international maritime law, with a view to promoting the achievement of the highest practicable global standards in this field and providing a mechanism for the international exchange, transfer and application of related knowledge,

RECOGNIZING that research is an important component of IMLI's academic activities, which strengthens and enhances its programmes of study and contributes positively to the fulfilment of its educational mandate,

RECOGNIZING ALSO that IMLI remains committed to research of the highest standard, which not only promotes knowledge creation, stimulates teaching and enriches higher learning, but also enhances its international academic reputation and can provide a valuable source of income towards the provision of fellowships for students and corporate development purposes,

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ACKNOWLEDGING WITH APPRECIATION the outcome of IMLI's research activities, which, in consonance with its Statute, have included projects leading to the incorporation of international maritime conventions into domestic legislation, as well as publications and papers issued by the IMLI faculty on a wide range of subjects related to international maritime law,

ACKNOWLEDGING ALSO the contribution that such research activities make towards a safe, secure, efficient and environmentally sound maritime industry,

ACKNOWLEDGING AND ENCOURAGING IMLI's commitment to engaging world class scholars and maritime legal experts in a culture of collegiate co-operation, and to encouraging the open exchange of ideas within an environment that supports and rewards research of the highest quality and integrity, to the benefit of the global maritime community,

1. AFFIRMS the importance and necessity of IMLI's research activities and of their resulting outputs as vital components of the Institute's efforts to strengthen and enhance its programmes of study and its international academic reputation;
2. AFFIRMS ALSO that IMLI's research activities contribute positively to the furtherance of the objectives and goals of the Organization and its Member States;
3. ENCOURAGES Member States, the IMO organs, international organizations and all other stakeholders of the global maritime community to, as appropriate:
  - (a) make use of the competencies of IMLI in commissioning legal research related to their respective fields of activity; and
  - (b) take into account, in the performance of their activities, the findings and recommendations of the research work undertaken by IMLI.

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