



## Annex 10

### Membership of the Memorandum

#### 1. Definitions

The Memorandum will comprise of the following categories of participants:

**A Member Authority:** any Maritime Authority responsible for port State control within the Riyadh MoU region, meeting the qualitative criteria set out in Section 2 of this Annex, and adhering to the Memorandum in accordance with Section 7 of the Memorandum is considered to be a Member Authority.

**An Observer:** any Maritime Authority responsible for port State control within the region or an intergovernmental organization wishing to participate in the Memorandum as described in Section 7 of the Memorandum is considered to be an Observer.

#### 2. CRITERIA FOR ADHERENCE TO THE MEMORANDUM IN ACCORDANCE WITH ADMINISTRATIVE PRIORITIES OF THE MEMORANDUM

A Maritime Authority of a State may adhere as a full member, provided that all of the following qualitative criteria have been met:

1. Such Maritime Authority shall explicitly subscribe to the commitments under the Memorandum with a view to contributing to the common endeavor to eliminate the operations of sub-standard ships:
2. Such Maritime Authority shall take all necessary measures to encourage the ratification of all relevant instruments in force.
3. Such Maritime Authorities shall have sufficient capacity, logistically and substantially, to appropriately enforce compliance with international maritime standards regarding maritime safety, pollution prevention and living and working conditions on board with regard to ships entitled to fly its flag, which shall include the employment of properly qualified Flag State Surveyors acting under the responsibility of its Administration, to be demonstrated to the satisfaction of the Committee referred to in section 7 of the Memorandum.
4. Such Maritime Authority shall have sufficient capacity, logistically and substantially, to comply in full with all provisions and activities specified in the Memorandum in order to enhance its commitment, which shall include the employment of properly qualified port State Control officers acting under the responsibility of its Administration, to be demonstrated to the satisfaction of the Committee referred to in section 7 of the Memorandum.
5. Such Maritime Authority will take all necessary measures as a flag State administration to decrease its detention rate and report to the Committee its efforts to improve the quality



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of ships under its flag if its flag has appeared in the black list of flags published in the Annual Report of any regional port State control Memorandum.

6. Such Maritime Authority shall, as of its effective date of membership, establish an on-line connection to the information system referred to in Annex 9.

7. Such Maritime Authority shall sign a financial agreement for paying its share in the operating cost of the Memorandum and shall, as of its effective date pay its financial contribution to the budget as approved by the Committee referred to in section 7 of the Memorandum.

Assessment of compliance with the above conditions shall only be valid for each individual case and shall not create a precedent for any future cases, neither for the Authorities present under the Memorandum nor for the potential new signatory.

### **3. Observer**

Application for the Observer status should contain aims of seeking the status and description of the activity of the applicant in port State control matters.

The Observer will actively participate in the activities of the Memorandum including:

1. attending the Committee meetings with no voting right;
2. receiving meeting documents;
3. participating in technical co-operation programs on its own expense as applicable;
4. submitting documents to the Committee and its subsidiary bodies; and
5. participating in working groups of the Memorandum.