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### RATIFICATION OF CERTAIN CONVENTIONS ACT NO. 17 OF 2025

An Act to provide for the ratification of certain Conventions.

Be it enacted by the President and Parliament as follows-

#### **1 Ratification**

- (1) The following Conventions are ratified:
- (a) International Convention on the Control and Harmful Anti-Fouling Systems on Ships, 2001; and
  - (b) International Convention for the Control and Management of Ship's Ballast Water and Sediment, 2004; and
  - (c) Cape Town Agreement of 2012 on the Implementation of the Provisions of the Torremolinos Protocol of 1993 relating to the Torremolinos International Convention for the Safety of Fishing Vessels, 1977; and
  - (d) Convention on the International Organization for Marine Aids to Navigation; and
  - (e) Maritime Labour Convention, 2006; and
  - (f) 1995 International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Fishing Vessel Personnel; and

- (g) Agreement under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea on the Conservation and Sustainable Use of Marine Biological Diversity of Areas beyond National Jurisdiction; and
  - (h) Nairobi International Convention on the Removal of Wrecks, 2007; and
  - (i) Multilateral Agreement on the Liberalization of International Air Transportation; and
  - (j) Convention for the Strengthening of the Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission established by the 1949 Convention between the United States of America and the Republic of Costa Rica.
- (2) An English and French copy of the Conventions are attached.

## **2 Commencement**

This Act commences on the day on which it is published in the Gazette.