

## UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY RECOGNIZES THE WORK OF IMLI

On 11 December 2012, during its sixty-seventh session, the United Nations General Assembly adopted Resolution A/Res/67/78 entitled "Oceans and the law of the sea". The Resolution, which was adopted by 125 votes in favour, tackles the main aspects of the 1982 United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS), and calls upon States and international organizations to cooperate towards the effective implementation of the provisions of UNCLOS.

The General Assembly, through Resolution A/Res/67/78, acknowledged for the fifth consecutive year the contribution of the IMO International Maritime Law Institute (IMLI) to the international community. In paragraph 18 of this Resolution the UN's highest representative body:

"18. Recognizes the importance of the work of the International Maritime Law Institute of the International Maritime Organization as a centre of education and training of Government legal advisers, mainly from developing States, confirms its effective capacity-building role in the field of international law, and urges States, intergovernmental organizations and financial institutions to make voluntary financial contributions to the budget of the Institute;"



H.E. Mr. Ban Ki-moon (UN Secretary-General) signing IMLI's Guest Book during his visit to the Institute

Professor David Attard (Director of IMLI) stated that, "My colleagues and I are extremely proud of this recognition, confirming our excellent academic reputation for the fifth consecutive year. It demonstrates that IMLI is a small Institution with a global mission and recognition."

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