IMO MEMBER STATES PRAISE THE WORK OF IMLI

The work of the IMO International Maritime Law Institute (IMLI) recently got the admiration of the Member States of the IMO Council during the Council’s 121st Session on 21 November 2018. The Member States’ commendation came during the presentation and consideration of the 29th Annual Report of the IMLI Governing Board and the IMLI Budget.

Mexico emphasized the important work of IMLI in the area of education and training in international maritime law. It noted that in recent years, at least one student from Mexico attends IMLI’s LL.M. Programme each academic year and hopes that such cooperation will continue. Mexico thanked Malta for the excellent support given to the students.

For its part, Japan, while expressing its belief in the continuation of The Nippon Foundation support to IMLI, recognised IMLI graduates’ contribution to the global maritime community with their knowledge and expertise in international maritime law. It expressed gratitude to the IMLI Director and all its staff for their efforts.
Saudi Arabia also thanked Malta for its continuous support to IMLI and further confirmed its contribution to the Institute with the allocation of USD 100,000 as its support towards the work of the Institute in training Government officials.

Malta associated itself with the vision for which IMLI was established and affirmed its continued commitment to supporting the Institute. It stated that IMLI has indeed evolved into a truly global institution with over 800 graduates all over the world successfully serving the maritime industry. Malta described the work of IMLI graduates as very beneficial in ensuring that international maritime conventions are implemented harmoniously. While commending IMLI for its sound financial policy, Malta welcomed the new initiative taken by IMLI in the creation of more contemporary courses that address current and pertinent issues confronting IMO and its Member States.

Egypt, Malaysia, Jamaica, Cook Islands, the Bahamas and South Africa respectively thanked Malta for its role as a good host to the IMLI students and commended IMLI for its sound financial policy. The delegations further emphasized how invaluable the IMLI education has been to their respective countries and regions.

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