



UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY RECOGNIZES THE WORK OF IMLI

On 4 December 2009, during its sixty fourth session, the United Nations General Assembly adopted Resolution A/Res/64/71 entitled “Oceans and the Law of the Sea”. The Resolution, which was adopted by 120 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.

In acknowledgment of the IMO International Maritime Law Institute’s (IMLI) contribution to the international community, the Resolution officially recognizes the importance of IMLI’s work. The text of paragraph 13 of this Resolution - adopted by the UN’s highest representative body - reads as follows:

“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, notes that the number of its graduates in 115 States confirms its effective capacity-building role in the field of international law, congratulates the Institute on the celebration of its twentieth anniversary, and urges States, intergovernmental organizations and financial institutions to make voluntary financial contributions to the budget of the Institute”.

Malta, IMLI’s Host State, co-sponsored the Resolution.



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