

A RESOLUTION

Acceding to the Convention for the Suppression of Unlawful Acts against the Safety of Maritime Navigation.

1       WHEREAS, the Convention for the Suppression of Unlawful Acts  
2 against the Safety of Maritime Navigation ("the Convention") was  
3 adopted by Resolution of the International Maritime Organization  
4 in Rome on March 10, 1988; and

5       WHEREAS, the worldwide escalation of acts of terrorism in all  
6 its forms and manifestations continues to impact all countries;  
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8       WHEREAS, unlawful acts against the safety of maritime  
9 navigation jeopardize the safety of persons and property,  
10 seriously affect the operation of maritime services, and undermine  
11 the confidence of the peoples of the world in the safety of  
12 maritime navigation; and

13       WHEREAS, the occurrence of such acts is a matter of grave  
14 concern to the international community as a whole; and

15       WHEREAS, the Convention is of great importance for enhancing  
16 international cooperation among countries in devising and adopting  
17 effective and practical measures for the prevention of all  
18 unlawful acts against the safety of maritime navigation, and the  
19 prosecution and punishment of their perpetrators; and

20       WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 17 of the Convention, the  
21 Convention is open to accession by any State; now, therefore,

22       BE IT RESOLVED by the Twelfth Congress of the Federated States

1 of Micronesia, Second Special Session, 2002, that the Congress  
2 hereby accedes to the Convention;

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
4 resolution be transmitted to the President of the Federated States  
5 of Micronesia, the Secretary of the Department of Foreign Affairs,  
6 the Secretary of the Department of Economic Affairs, the Governor  
7 of each State and the Secretary-General of the International  
8 Maritime Organization.

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