

**MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEAS HYDROGRAPHIC COMMISSION**

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**MBSHC CIRCULAR LETTER No 15/2023 Rev1**

**Subject:** The IALA Convention – National Status – Results of MBSHC CL 10/2023

**Reference:**

- A. MBSHC CIRCULAR LETTER No 10/2023
- B. MBSHC 23, Action 08, "...the interest to sign the Convention on the International Organization for Marine Aids to Navigation..."

Dear colleagues,

1. Reference A asked Member State to act on their National Authority in accordance with MBSHC 23/08 (Ref. B).
2. The Secretariat of the MBSHC thanks to the 4 Member States that replied to Reference A: Croatia, Cyprus, Greece, United Kingdom.
3. The answers can be summarized from those who said that there is no (or little) indication of the status and interest of states to sign (ratify) the Convention, to those who said that the ratification process is at a certain level of realization.
4. In any case, with this activity the member states by addressing to the competent national authorities expressed and confirmed the importance of close cooperation between two international organizations, IHO and IALA, in navigation safety and beyond.
5. A list of countries with the date of ratification of the IALA Convention is available at the link <https://www.iala-aism.org/the-igo-project/>.

Best regards,

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