

## ARTICLE 2

### Definitions

For the purpose of the Convention, unless expressly provided otherwise:

- .1 "Party means" a State for which the Convention has entered into force.
- .2 "Administration" means the Government of the Party whose flag the vessel is entitled to fly.
- .3 "Certificate" means a valid document, by whatever name it may be known, issued or recognized in accordance with the provisions of the Convention, authorizing the holder to serve as stated in this document or as authorized by national regulations.
- .4 "Certificated" means properly holding a certificate.
- .5 "Organization" means the International Maritime Organization.
- .6 "Secretary-General" means the Secretary-General of the Organization.
- .7 "Fishing vessel" or "vessel" means any vessel used commercially for catching fish or other living resources of the sea.
- .8 "Seagoing fishing vessel" means a fishing vessel other than those which navigate exclusively in inland waters or in waters within, or closely adjacent to, sheltered waters or areas where port regulations apply.