# COMITÉ MARITIME INTERNATIONAL

PRESIDENT

To the Presidents of all member associations of the CMI
cc. Titulary Members

Oslo 2 May, 2012

Dear President,

By letter of 8 August 2011, I circulated a Draft Instrument on Recognition of Foreign Judicial Sales of Ships to the CMI member associations and titulary members for comments, calling on the member associations to appoint their delegates to an International Sub-Committee meeting to be held on 27 September 2011 in Oslo.

Comments on the First Draft were received from a number of associations, such as the MLA of the Dominican Republic, Italy, Germany, Brazil, Croatia and China. In addition, comments were also received from a few titulary members, including José Maria Alcantara (Spain), Michael Cohen (USA) and Francesco Berlingieri (Italy).

The meeting of the International Sub-Committee in Oslo was and attended by delegates from member associations in Australia, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, China, Croatia,

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Germany, Japan, Malta, Netherlands, Norway, Singapore, UK and USA. The provisions of the First Draft were discussed in detail. The meeting was quite successful and productive with significant progress being made.

In the light of the consensus achieved at the meeting of the International Sub-Committee and the many comments received , the International Working Group (which also did the initial preparatory work on the topic) has now prepared a Second Draft Instrument, which is attached hereto for your examination and comments. Please submit your comments and proposals in relation to the Second Draft Instrument latest by 31 July (by email to admini@cmi-imc.org,) so as to give the International Working Group the necessary time to consider the replies and submit a Third Draft Instrument to CMI 2012 Conference in Beijing in October. The so revised draft will be considered during the sessions devoted to this topic at the Conference and, hopefully, be adopted by the Plenary on the last day of the Conference (for the Programme in Beijing see www.cmi2012beijing.org).

To assist you in your work, the International Working Group has prepared the enclosed Commentary on the Second Draft Instrument. For your guidance, I also enclose a marked-up version of the Second Draft showing the changes from the First Draft .

Best regards