

ANNEX 8

CERTIFICATION

Liberian certificates are issued based on two methods: **certificate of equivalency or professional examination.**

EQUIVALENT CERTIFICATES

Equivalent Certificates may be issued to certificate holders from major maritime nations whose educational system and examinations are found acceptable. National certificates from the following countries are currently recognized. This list has been developed under the provisions of the STCW Convention 1978, as amended, for STCW certification based on those countries which have been reported by the Maritime Safety Committee of the International Maritime Organization.

Algeria	Estonia	Malta	Serbia*****
Antigua and Barbuda	Ethiopia	Marshall Islands	Singapore
Argentina	Fiji	Mauritania	Slovak Republic
Australia	Finland	Mauritius	Slovenia
Azerbaijan	France	Mexico	Solomon Islands
Bahamas	Georgia	Micronesia	South Africa
Bahrain	Germany	(Federated States	Spain
Bangladesh	Ghana	of)	Sri Lanka
Barbados	Greece	Montenegro*****	Sweden
Belgium	Honduras	Morocco	Switzerland
Belize	Hungary	Mozambique	Syrian Arab
Brazil	Iceland	Myanmar	Republic
Brunei Darussalam	India	Netherlands***	Thailand
Bulgaria	Indonesia	New Zealand****	Tonga
Cambodia	Islamic Republic	Nigeria	Trinidad & Tobago
Canada	Of Iran	Norway	Tunisia
Cape Verde	Ireland	Oman	Turkey
Chile	Italy	Pakistan	Tuvalu
China*	Israel	Panama	Ukraine
Colombia	Jamaica	Papua New Guinea	United Arab
Comoros	Japan	Peru	Emirates
Cote d'Ivoire	Jordan	Philippines	United
Croatia	Kiribati	Poland	Kingdom***
Cuba	Kuwait	Portugal	United Republic
Cyprus	Latvia	Qatar	Of Tanzania
Czech Republic	Lebanon	Republic of Korea	United States
Democratic People's	Liberia	Romania	Uruguay
Republic of Korea	Lithuania	Russian Federation	Vanuatu
Denmark**	Luxembourg	Saint Vincent and	Venezuela (Bolivarian
Dominica	Madagascar	the Grenadines	Republic of)
Ecuador	Malaysia	Samoa	Viet Nam
Egypt	Malawi	Saudi Arabia	
Eritrea	Maldives	Senegal	

* Includes: Hong Kong, China (Associate Member to the IMO)

** Includes: Faroe Islands (Associate Member to the IMO)

*** Includes: Netherlands Antilles and Aruba

**** Includes: The Cook Islands

***** Includes: Bermuda Cayman Islands Gibraltar and Isle of Man

***** Part of ex-Yugoslavia

As from 4 February 2003, the name of the State of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia was changed to Serbia and Montenegro. Following the dissolution of the State of Serbia and Montenegro on 3 June 2006, all treaty actions relating to the provisions of the STCW Convention undertaken by Serbia and Montenegro continue to be in force with respect to the Republic of Serbia and the Republic of Montenegro with effect from the same date, i.e. 3 June 2006.

All applicants for Liberian certificates must also document qualifying sea service, maritime education and physical qualifications in addition to presenting their national certificates or sitting for a Liberian examination.