



COMITÉ MARITIME INTERNATIONAL

PRESIDENT

7 November 2019

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Consultative Members

*Re: Judicial Sales Instrument-UNCITRAL Working Group VI
Security Interests over Shipping Containers Questionnaire*

Dear Presidents, Titulary Members and Consultative Members,

First, thank you to all delegates and speakers who attended the Colloquium in Mexico City and, in particular, the members of the Organizing Committee who contributed to the event's successful outcome.

Second, a warm welcome to our new Executive Councillor, Eduardo Albors of Spain, and new member Association from the Republic of Paraguay, both elected by the Assembly on 2nd October 2019, and our heartfelt appreciation to Alexander von Ziegler who concluded his two terms as Executive Councillor (and previously served as Secretary General from 1996 to 2003).

The purpose of this letter is two-fold: to request your assistance in promoting the Judicial Sales instrument that will be discussed by UNCITRAL Working Group VI during their second meeting in Vienna between 18th and 22nd November 2019, and enlist your support in responding to the Questionnaire prepared by the CMI International Working Group on Security Interests over Containers.

Attached you will find Ann Fenech's letter of 6th November 2019, reporting on the current status of the Judicial Sales instrument, and a copy of the "Vienna Meeting Notes" dated 29th October 2019, which have been prepared to assist you in convincing the governments of your countries to participate in the upcoming meeting of UNCITRAL

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Working Group VI, and impress on the government representatives the importance of the Judicial Sales project and the issues at stake.

Last, but not least, I have been asked by David Osborne and Benoit Goemans to circulate the attached Questionnaire prepared by the IWG on Security Interests over Shipping Containers dated 1st November 2019. The Questionnaire is addressed to National Maritime Law Associations and responses are requested by 15th February 2020 to benoit.goemans@gdsadvocaten.be and dosborne@wfw.com.

On behalf of the Executive Council, thank you for your continued participation in the work of the CMI.

Yours faithfully,



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