COMITE MARITIME INTERNATIONAL

PRESIDENT

New Orleans, 2 April 2019

NMLA Presidents
Titulary Members
Consultative Members

Dear Presidents, Titulary Members and Consultative Members,

The purpose of this letter is three-fold:

i)   to enlist your support for the draft Convention on the International Recognition of Judicial Sales (which will be addressed by UNCITRAL's Working Group VI in New York on 13 – 17 May 2019);

ii)   advise that registration for the 2019 Mexico City Colloquium is now available online at www.cmi2019mexico.org; and

iii)   remind everyone that the closing date for entries to the 2019 CMI Young Persons Prize is 30 April 2019.

Attached to this letter you will find Ann Fenech's correspondence of 21 March 2019, with attachments, outlining the background of the CMI's judicial sales project and, more importantly, the steps that need to be taken by NMLAs, Titulary Members and Consultative Members to ensure we garner sufficient support from Governments to move the project forward. I would urge you to take the steps outlined on page 2 of Ann's letter with a view to convincing your respective Government delegations of the importance of this draft instrument, and offering the necessary assistance to ensure the proposal for addressing cross-border issues related to the judicial sale of ships becomes a reality.

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I am pleased to advise that registration and the website for the 2019 Mexico City Colloquium went live yesterday (1 April 2019), and have taken the liberty of attaching a copy of the Welcome Letter for the Colloquium. We look forward to welcoming you to Mexico City and seeing you at the Assembly and Colloquium, which promise to be memorable.

Last, but not least, I take this opportunity to remind everyone that the deadline for entries to the 2019 CMI Young Persons Essay Prize is 30 April 2019 (the details of the yCMI Essay Prize Rules can be found on the CMI website and were attached to my 20 December 2018 President's Letter).

Yours faithfully,

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cc: Executive Council (via e-mail)