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Dear Friends,

As you may recall from our General Assembly in Antwerp last October, the CMI has set up an International Working Group to look into the need for modernizing the 1910 Collision Convention. The IWG is chaired by CMI Vice-President John O'Connor of Canada.

The 1910 Convention was the first convention adopted by CMI and is in force in many countries. In order to consider whether revision is required, the IWG has prepared a short questionnaire for MLAs to consider. It is hoped that this will give guidance to the IWG as to what changes, if any, are required to enhance the value of the 1910 Convention.

The CMI is usually fairly open to receiving replies to questionnaires submitted at any time but, for this questionnaire, the CMI would like to have input from the MLAs in time to enable the IWG to hold an open meeting at the next CMI colloquium to be held in Montreal in June 2023.

Consequently, we ask you to submit your answers to the questionnaire by May 31, 2023, at the very latest. We believe that the questions can be answered in fairly short order, but would encourage MLAs to submit explanations for their answers whenever they feel it would assist in understanding the change being recommended or the reasons for not recommending change.

Your answers and comments should be sent to John O'Connor at john.oconnor@langlois.ca with a copy to the IWG's rapporteur, Klaus Ramming at Klaus.ramming@lebuhn.de.

I hope this will find approval in your MLA and look forward to receiving your thoughts.

Finally on behalf of all of us thank you to John O'Connor and Klaus Ramming and all the IWG team.

Yours sincerely

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President CMI