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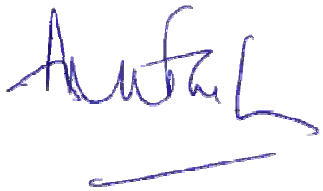
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Dear Presidents and friends

I cannot possibly start off this communication without again congratulating Luis Filipe Galante, President of the Brazilian Maritime Law Association, the entire Brazilian Maritime Law Association and the Brazil Colloquium organising committee for the wonderful colloquium in the most magnificent city of Rio di Janeiro – which means, as I learnt from Felipe – "The river of January". The academic programme was nothing short of excellent with all the contributions of the moderators and panellists and the social programme brought out the very best of Brazil. The photos just say it all. I understand that our gala dinner samba dancing is making the rounds on social media! This is exactly what the CMI is all about – where legal maritime minds get together to formulate international maritime law in its various forms whilst having an absolutely wonderful time! Very well done indeed and we now look forward to Valencia.

In the meantime I have been requested by Prof. Charles Debattista who heads the Greener Contracts workstream group within the Decarbonisation IWG to circulate the attached paper presented in Rio requesting all NMLAs who have not already responded to the questionnaire attached as Annex 1 , to do so by the **15th of June.**

Yours sincerely



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