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Subject: **Convention on the Protection of the Underwater Cultural Heritage (Paris, 2 November 2001) – Deposit of an instrument of ratification by Saudi Arabia**

The Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, acting in her capacity as depositary, communicates the following information:

On 13 November 2015, the Director-General received the above-mentioned instrument. The instrument contained the following declaration by the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia:

“declares, pursuant to paragraph 2 of Article 9, that the Kingdom shall require that its subjects and captains of ships flying its flag declare any discovery or activity concerning underwater heritage located in the exclusive economic zone or on the continental shelf of another State Party, and that the Kingdom will undertake to inform the other States Parties”. [original: Arabic]

In accordance with the terms of its Article 27, the aforementioned Convention will enter into force with respect to this State three months after the date of the deposit of its instrument, that is to say on 13 February 2016.