

## DCoC Donor Meeting IMO Headquarters in London, United Kingdom 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2024 Remarks by the Delegation of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

Secretary General of IMO,

Chair of DCoC,

Esteemed delegates,

First, we would like to express our gratitude to the IMO and the SG for hosting the meeting.

Saudi Arabia would like to emphasize the importance of security and freedom of navigation in the Red Sea, which represents a vital artery for the flow of global trade.

The Kingdom will continue to coordinate and cooperate with regional and international organizations to confront all challenges and risks surrounding the region, especially in the Gulf of Aden.

Saudi Arabia was and will still be actively supporting capacity building through DCoC. It is our honor that we have delivered 14 training courses where more than 300 participants benefited, from 30 member states.

Chair as you have highlighted, we are looking forward to our next Jeddah meeting on the  $3^{rd}$  week of this month.

Thank you.