

# Ocean Governance and International Shipping

21 April 2017, Friday, Singapore



## Background and Objectives of the Workshop

In 2016, the Centre for International Law (CIL) of the National University of Singapore (NUS) received a three-year research grant from the Singapore Maritime Institute (SMI) supported by the Maritime and Port Authority (MPA) to establish the CIL-MPA Oceans Governance Research Programme. Research activities under the programme will focus on three areas: Arctic shipping governance; transit passage regimes under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS); and marine environmental governance.

CIL intends to discuss its research activities and findings through a half-day workshop on “**Ocean Governance and International Shipping**” on 21 April 2017 in Singapore. The workshop will be opened by **Professor Tommy Koh**, featured with a keynote speech by **Mr Koji Sekimizu**, and discussions will be led by **Associate Professor Robert C Beckman** and **Captain J Ashley Roach**.

This Workshop is open to public and will be held under Chatham House Rule. CIL welcomes representatives from MPA, Singapore government agencies, shipping industries, universities, think tanks and research institutions to attend as participants and contribute to the discussions.

**Admission is free of charge. To register, please visit <https://goo.gl/zYBVXv>**

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ORCHARD PARADE HOTEL, 1 TANGLIN ROAD, SINGAPORE 247905

<b>WORKSHOP PROGRAMME</b>		
<b>ROOM</b>	<b>Antica I, Level 2</b>	<b>Dress Code: Office Wear</b>
13:00 – 14:00	Registration & Coffee	
14:00 – 14:15	<b>Welcome</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Professor Tommy KOH, Centre for International Law (CIL), National University of Singapore</li></ul>	
14:15 – 14:45	<b>Keynote Speech</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Mr. Koji SEKIMIZU, former Secretary-General of the International Maritime Organization</li></ul>	
14:45 – 15:00	Coffee Break	
15:00 – 15:45	<b>Session 1: CIL Activities in Ocean Governance</b> Chair: Professor Tommy KOH Speaker: Assoc Prof Robert C BECKMAN	
15:45 – 16:00	Coffee Break	
16:00 – 16:45	<b>Session 2: Arctic Shipping Governance—Development of the Polar Code and Its Implementation</b> Chair: Assoc Prof Robert C BECKMAN Speaker: Capt J Ashley ROACH	
<b>BOOK LAUNCH</b> <b>NAVIGATIONAL RESTRICTIONS WITHIN THE NEW LOS CONTEXT</b>		
<b>ROOM</b>	<b>Antica V, Level 6</b>	<b>Dress Code: Office Wear</b>
17:00	Registration & Book Sale	
17:15	Welcome by Assoc Prof Robert C BECKMAN	
17:20	Panel Session on Navigational Restrictions within the New LOS Context Chair: Assoc Prof Robert C BECKMAN Editor: Capt J Ashley ROACH	
18:00	Autograph Session & Reception	

## SPEAKERS PROFILES

### **Professor Tommy KOH**

**Ambassador-at-Large, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Singapore**

**Chairman, CIL Governing Board, NUS Centre for International Law**



**Professor Tommy Koh** is Ambassador-At-Large at the Singapore Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Chairman of the Centre for International Law, Rector of Tembusu College at the National University of Singapore and Special Adviser of the Institute of Policy Studies. He is the Co-Chairman of the China-Singapore Forum, the India-Singapore Strategic Dialogue and the Japan-Singapore Symposium. Professor Koh was the President of the Third United Nations Conference on the Law of the Sea and chaired the Preparatory Committee for and the Main Committee at the Earth Summit. He was Singapore's Permanent Representative to the United Nations for 13 years, Ambassador to the United States for six years, and served as the United Nations Secretary General's Special Envoy to Russia, Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania. He was also Singapore's Chief Negotiator for the US-Singapore Free Trade Agreement and has chaired two dispute panels for the WTO. Professor Koh acted as Singapore's Agent in the case concerning *Pedra Branca* before the ICJ and in the *Land Reclamation* case before ITLOS. He is a student of international law and, in particular, on law of the sea. Professor Koh was recently named the recipient of the 2014 Great Negotiator Award (an award given out by an inter-university consortium comprising Harvard University, the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Tufts University and the Future of Diplomacy Project at Harvard Kennedy School).

### **Mr. Koji SEKIMIZU**

**Former Secretary-General of IMO (2012-2015)**

**Special Advisor to the President of Kobe University, Japan**

**RSIS-MPA Distinguished Visiting Fellow and Senior Advisor of MPA Academy.**



**Mr. Koji SEKIMIZU** obtained both of his Bachelor's Degree and Master's Degree in Engineering at Osaka University, Japan. He worked for various positions at the Ministry of Transport of Japan and briefly the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan between the years of 1977-1989. On 2 July 1989, Mr. Sekimizu joined the IMO as Technical Officer in the Sub-Division for Technology, Maritime Safety Division of IMO. He has since been appointed as Head of the Technology Section MSC, Senior Deputy Director and then Director of the Marine Environment Division, Director of Maritime Safety Division, and was elected Secretary-General for the period from 1 January 2012 to 31 December 2015. For over two decades servicing at various divisions of the IMO, Mr. Sekimizu contributed to the work of, among many other things, the fire protection measures for passenger ships, the

prevention of air pollution from ships, the phase-out schedule of the single-hull tankers, harmful anti-fouling paints, ballast water management, ship recycling, particularly sensitive sea areas, polar water navigation and greenhouse gas emissions from ships. In general terms, Mr. Sekimizu has contributed to the IMO's work in preparation, adoption and implementation of international rules and regulations on the safety of navigation and the protection of the marine environment from vessel-source pollution.

Mr. Sekimizu retired from the Secretary-General of IMO on 31 December 2015. He was then appointed as Special Advisor to the President of Kobe University, Japan on 1 April 2016, appointed as RSIS-MPA Distinguished Visiting Fellow and Senior Advisor of MPA Academy since 1 May 2016; he is a Member of the Japan Society of Naval Architects and Ocean Engineers, and is a Councilor of "Kousi Zosen Kai", the Alumni Society of Naval Architects of Osaka University. He is also a Fellow of the Royal Institution of Naval Architects.

Mr. Sekimizu has received many awards and honours worldwide, and has publications on many important maritime issues.

### **Assoc Prof Robert C BECKMAN**

#### **Head, Ocean Law and Policy Programme, NUS Centre for International Law**



Assoc Prof Robert Beckman was the founding Director of CIL, having served from September 2009 to June 2016. He now heads CIL's programme in Ocean Law and Policy and the Research Projects on Submarine Cables and Law of the Sea and on International Maritime Crimes. Prof Beckman is also an Associate Professor in the NUS Faculty of Law. He currently teaches Public International Law and Ocean Law & Policy in Asia. He also teaches a module on International Law & Singapore Law in the first-year compulsory course, Singapore Legal System. In addition to his current subjects, he has taught International Legal Process, International Regulation of Shipping, Maritime Security & International Law, Marine Environmental Law, Space Law & Policy and United Nations Law. Prof Beckman has a special interest in public international law and in ocean law and policy. He lectures at Rhodes Academy of Oceans Law and Policy, a summer diploma programme held in Rhodes, Greece. He has also taught an intensive course on Ocean Law & Policy for UNITAR in Myanmar and at the Graduate School of International Studies, University of Tokyo. He is an Adjunct Senior Fellow in the Maritime Security Programme at the Institute for Defence and Strategic Studies of the S Rajaratnam School of International Studies, NTU. He serves as a member of the Singapore delegation meetings of the Council on Security and Cooperation in the Asia-Pacific (CSCAP). He also served as a resource person for many of the meetings and Workshops on Managing Potential Conflicts in the South China Sea. He has worked on ocean law and policy issues with the Ocean Policy Research Foundation (OPRF) of Japan and the Science Council of Asia. Prof Beckman also has a special interest in moot and advocacy. He served as the faculty advisor and coach of NUS teams in the Philip C Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition for 30 years, and has coached NUS teams in the Manfred Lachs Space Law Moot Court Competition and the International Maritime Law Moot Court Competition. Prof Beckman served as the Vice Dean (Academic Affairs) from 2001 to 2006. He was awarded the Public Administration Medal (Bronze)

at the 2007 National Day Awards. He has also received two awards from NUS—the Outstanding Educator Award in 2001, and the Staff Achievement Award in 1997.

**Capt J Ashley ROACH**

**Visiting Senior Principal Research Fellow**

**Captain, JAGC, USN (ret.), Office of the Legal Adviser, U.S. Department of State (ret.)**



Captain J Ashley Roach, JAGC, U.S. Navy (retired) was attorney adviser in the Office of the Legal Adviser, U.S. Department of State, from 1988 until he retired at the end of January 2009. He was responsible for law of the sea matters. He has taught, advised and published extensively on national maritime claims and other law of the sea issues, including piracy and armed robbery at sea, including at the Rhodes Academy of Oceans Law and Policy. He has negotiated, and participated in the negotiation of, numerous international agreements involving law of the sea issues. He received his LL.M. (highest honours in public international law and comparative law) from the George Washington University School of Law in 1971 and his J.D. from the University of Pennsylvania Law School in 1963.



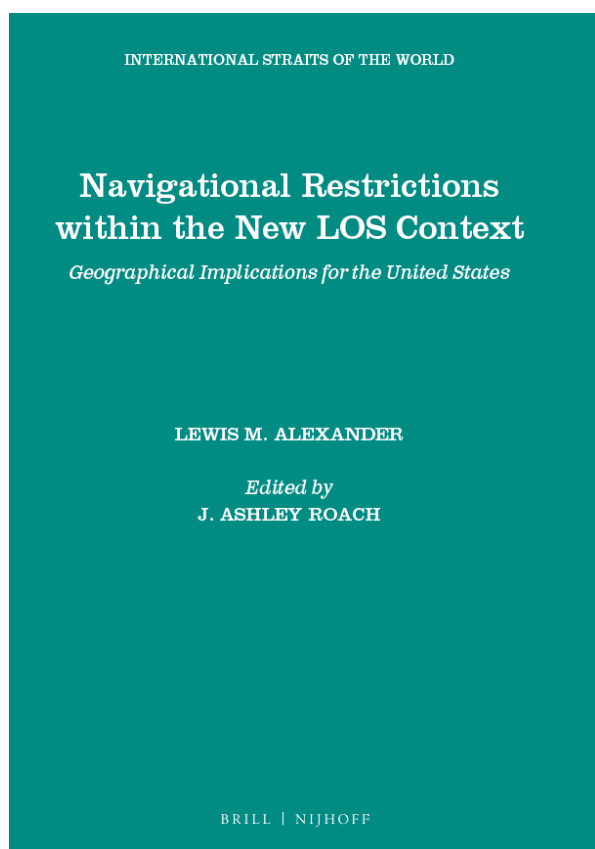
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## BOOK LAUNCH

# Navigational Restrictions within the New LOS Context

Edited by Capt J Ashley Roach

21 April 2017, Friday, 5.00pm  
Orchard Parade Hotel, Singapore  
1 Tanglin Road, Singapore 247905 (Antica V, Level 6)



### ABOUT THE BOOK

In 1986, Lewis M Alexander, a world-renowned marine geographer, prepared for the U.S. Department of Defense a report, *Navigational Restrictions within the New LOS Context: Geographical Implications for the United States*. Capt J Ashley Roach has faithfully reproduced Alexander's seminal work by retaining the original structure and references. The reformatted report is presented in five sections and includes 20 maps, illustrating the world's international straits and major ocean navigation routes. Forty-three tables present the most comprehensive descriptions of the world's straits used for international navigation, as well as identify various categories of maritime claims. What made the Report extraordinarily valuable in 1986, and which makes it equally valuable today, is the compilation of geographic data — not available elsewhere — describing the world's straits used for international navigation and illustrations of the chokepoints and major international shipping trade routes. A table of defined terms and an index have been added.

**RSVP** Please [register online](#) or email Ms Gerry Ng ([gerry.ng@nus.edu.sg](mailto:gerry.ng@nus.edu.sg)) by 17 April 2017.

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