THE ASSEMBLY,

HAVING IN MIND Article X of the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution of the Sea by Oil, 1954,

FOR THE PURPOSE of facilitating the detection of offences and the enforcement of the Convention,

INVITES Governments to co-operate in the detection of offences and the enforcement of the provisions of the Convention by encouraging aircraft and ships to report and, where practicable, to photograph ships seen to be discharging oil at sea,

FURTHER INVITES Governments to investigate a ship of another Convention country when it enters their ports, if a report is received from any Government that the ship has discharged oil at sea or otherwise contravened the Convention, and to send the report of such investigation to the Government first reporting the offence and to the Government responsible for the ship so that appropriate action may be taken under Article X of the Convention. All possible efforts must be made to avoid the ship being unduly delayed through such investigation,
INVITES the Maritime Safety Committee, in liaison, if need be, with the Legal Committee, to take the necessary steps to ensure that proposals for amending the Convention in this particular connexion be prepared in sufficient time to permit of their consideration by the Assembly at its next regular session.