THE ASSEMBLY,

NOTING Article 16(h) of the Convention on the Inter-Governmental Maritime Consultative Organization concerning the functions of the Assembly,

RECALLING United Nations Resolution 2398 (XXIII) by which the General Assembly decided to convene, in 1972, a United Nations Conference on the Human Environment,

HAVING NOTED United Nations Resolution 2581 (XXIV) by which the General Assembly decided that the Conference should be held in Sweden in June 1972 and invited, inter alia, the Specialized Agencies and the IAEA to collaborate closely with the Secretary-General of the United Nations in the preparations for the Conference and to assist, as appropriate, in the work of the Preparatory Committee,

NOTING in this connexion the action taken by the Secretary-General of IMCO to provide such collaboration,
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BEING INFORMED of the work carried out by the Preparatory Committee particularly with reference to the development of action proposals for the prevention and control of marine pollution,

HAVING CONSIDERED the relationship between those action proposals and the recommendations of the IMCO Council and the Maritime Safety Committee relative to the subject matter for the IMCO Conference on Marine Pollution in 1973,

ENDORSES the action taken by the Council, the Maritime Safety Committee and the Secretary-General in implementation of UN Resolution 2581 (XXIV),

REQUESTS the Council, the Maritime Safety Committee and the Secretary-General:

(a) to continue to participate fully in the preparatory work for the UN Conference on the Human Environment;

(b) to implement any decisions of that Conference entrusting responsibilities to IMCO, including functions in respect of the control of the dumping of shore-generated waste by ships or other craft operating in the marine environment.