CONSIDERATION OF A DRAFT INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE PREVENTION OF POLLUTION FROM SHIPS, 1973

Draft Resolutions relating to prevention and control of marine pollution

Submitted by the Government of Canada

HAVING NOTED the Regulations relating to the design, construction, equipment and procedures for ships carrying noxious liquid substances in bulk contained in Annex II of the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution of the Sea from Ships, 1973, in particular Regulation 11(2) of that Annex by which Contracting Governments are obliged to issue, or to cause to be issued, detailed instructions on the design, construction, equipment and procedures for such ships in order to ensure compliance with Regulation 2(1) of that Annex,

NOTING FURTHER Regulation 11(3) of that Annex which requires that for chemical tankers the detailed instructions shall contain at least all the provisions given in the Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk ("the Bulk Chemical Code") adopted by the Assembly of the Organization on 12 October 1971 in Resolution A.212(VII),

NOTING ALSO that the Organization has prepared an approach to modification of the Bulk Chemical Code to include marine pollution prevention measures;

DESIRING the formulation of appropriate provisions for the carriage of noxious liquid substances in bulk in vessels that are not self-propelled and in ships other than chemical tankers,

RECOMMENDS that the Organization:

(a) amend the Bulk Chemical Code as early as possible in order to include requirements necessary from the marine pollution prevention point of view;

(b) keeps the Code under constant review with regard to prevention of marine pollution, taking into account both experience and future development of technology; and

(c) develops with priority Codes for the carriage of noxious liquid substances in bulk in vessels that are not self-propelled and in ships other than chemical tankers.

NOTE: The purpose of the underlining of words and phrases is to indicate the proposed changes in text.