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

Proposed amendments to Article 7 and its Annex

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A. Article 7

1. Paragraph 1 of the Article should be placed in Article 2, with the other definitions.

2. Add the following new paragraph:

"Each Party to the Convention undertakes to issue instructions to its maritime inspection vessels and aircraft and to other appropriate services to report to its authorities any incident referred to in Protocol I (in Regulation 3). That Party shall, if it considers it appropriate, report accordingly to the Organization and to any other Party concerned."

B. Annex to Article 7

1. Change the title as follows:

PROTOCOL I. "Regulation concerning Reports on Incidents involving harmful substances, in accordance with Article 7 of the Convention."

2. Replace "Annex" by "protocol" as appropriate.
3. **Regulation 3. sub-paragraph (b):** Add the following sentence at the end of the paragraph:

"or for purposes of legitimate scientific research into pollution abatement or control".

4. **Regulation 4. paragraph 2(a):** Add, between "including" and "the correct technical name", the words "if possible".

Replace "shall" by "should".