INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON MARINE POLLUTION, 1973
Committee II
Agenda item 3

CONSIDERATION OF THE DRAFT TEXT OF ANNEX I OF THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE PREVENTION OF POLLUTION FROM SHIPS, 1973

Draft Resolution: Limitation of size and arrangement of cargo tanks on board oil tankers

Submitted by the French Delegation

THE CONFERENCE,

NOTING with satisfaction that most tankers ordered since 1 January 1972 comply with the provisions regarding the limitation of the size and the arrangement of cargo tanks laid down in the 1971 Amendments to the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution of the Sea by Oil, 1954, contained in Resolution A.246(VII) adopted by the Organization, although those amendments have not yet come into force,

NOTING further that Resolution A.247(VII) of the Organization invites governments to put into effect these requirements as soon as possible,

BEING AWARE of the necessity to encourage this trend and emphasizing the desirability to that effect, that these 1971 Amendments come into force at the earliest possible date and in any case not later than the present Convention,

BEING AWARE ALSO that some lapse of time will inevitably occur before the 1973 Convention can enter into force,

EARNESTLY REQUESTS all governments to accept the 1971 Amendments to the 1954 Convention as soon as possible.