The Japanese Delegation believes that those oil tankers to which load on top system is not applicable because of their short voyage shall be exempted from the requirements of Regulation 15, and the control of discharge of oil from such tankers shall be effected by the retention of oil on board with subsequent discharge to shore reception facilities or by segregated ballast oil tankers as provided in Regulation 13(4).

(1) Amendment to Regulation 15

Add the following new paragraph to Regulation 15:

(4) For oil tankers listed below, the control of discharge of oil under Regulation 9 of this Annex shall be effected by the retention of oil on board with subsequent discharge to reception facilities or by the provision of segregated ballast tanks required in Regulation 13(4) of this Annex:

(a) Oil tankers of less than 150 tons gross tonnage;

(b) Oil tankers which are exclusively engaged on voyages shorter than 72 hours and confined within the limit of 50 miles from the nearest land and to which the International Oil Pollution Prevention Certificate (1973) need not be issued.
(2) Consequential amendment to Regulation 13.

Formula in paragraph (2)(a) shall be amended as follows:

\[ L \geq 200 \text{ m } \Rightarrow \text{dm} = 2 + 0.02 \, L \]
\[ L < 200 \text{ m } \Rightarrow \text{dm} = 0.03 \, L \]