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

Comments and proposals on the draft text of the Convention

- Proposed amendments to Articles 4 and 9 -

Submitted as a result of informal consultations

1. Sub-paragraph (2) of Article 4 (Alternative II) shall be amended by substituting for the term "territorial seas" the word "jurisdiction" i.e. as in MP/CONF/C.1/WP.14.

2. The existing text of sub-paragraph (4) of Article 4 (Alternative II) should be replaced by the following:

   "The penalties specified under the law of a Contracting State pursuant to this Article shall be adequate in severity to discourage violations of this Convention and shall be equally severe irrespective of where the violations occur".

3. A new Article 9 (3) should be added:

   "The meaning of the term jurisdiction shall be construed in the light of international law in force at the time of application or interpretation of the present Convention".