Article 8

(1) Nothing in the present Convention shall be construed as derogating from the power of any Contracting State to take special measures within its jurisdiction in respect of discharge standards.

(2) A Contracting State shall not within its jurisdiction impose regulations in respect of pollution control regarding ship design which are not in accordance with the provisions of the Regulations. The requirements of this paragraph do not apply to waters the particular characteristics of which render the environment exceptionally vulnerable.

(3) Contracting States which adopt special measures in accordance with this Article shall notify them to the Organization without delay. The Organization shall thereafter notify such special measures to the other Contracting States.