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Draft Text of Regulations of Annex IV, as agreed by the Drafting Committee

ANNEX IV

REGULATIONS FOR THE PREVENTION OF POLLUTION BY SEWAGE FROM SHIPS

Regulation 1

Definitions

For the purposes of the present Annex:

(1) "New ship" means a ship:
   (a) for which the building contract is placed, or in the absence of a building contract, the keel of which is laid, or which is at a similar stage of construction on or after the date of entry into force of the present Annex; or
   (b) the delivery of which is three years or more after the date of entry into force of the present Annex.

(2) "Existing ship" means a ship which is not a new ship.
(3) "Sewage" means:

(a) drainage and other wastes from any form of toilets, urinals, and WC scuppers;
(b) drainage from medical premises (dispensary, sick bay, etc.) via wash basins, wash tubs and scuppers located in such premises;
(c) drainage from spaces containing living animals; or
(d) other waste waters when mixed with the drainages defined above.

(4) "Holding tank" means a tank used for the collection and storage of sewage.

(5) "From the nearest land" means from the baseline from which the territorial sea of the territory in question is established in accordance with the Geneva Convention on the Territorial Sea and the Contiguous Zone, done at Geneva 29 April 1958, except that, for the purposes of the present Convention "from the nearest land" off the north eastern coast of Australia shall mean from a line drawn from a point on the coast of Australia in latitude 11° South, longitude 142°08' East to a point in latitude 10°35' South, longitude 141°55' East - thence to a point latitude 10°00' South, longitude 142°00' East, thence to a point latitude 9°10' South, longitude 143°52' East, thence to a point latitude 9°00' South, longitude 144°30' East, thence to a point latitude 13°00' South, longitude 144°00' East, thence to a point latitude 15°00' South, longitude 146°00' East, thence to a point latitude 16°00' South, longitude 147°00' East, thence to a point latitude 21°00' South, longitude 153°00', East, thence to a point on the coast of Australia in latitude 24°42' South, longitude 153°15' East

Regulation 2

Application

The provisions of the present annex shall apply to:

(a) (i) new ships of more than 200 tons gross tonnage;

(ii) new ships of not more than 200 tons gross tonnage which are certified to carry more than 10 persons;

(iii) new ships which do not have a measured gross tonnage and are certified to carry more than 10 persons; and