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

Statement by the Nigerian delegation as to the
use of the term "Jurisdiction" in the Convention

In relation to Nigeria, the term "jurisdiction" as used in the
International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships, 1973,
will be interpreted to refer to the territorial waters of Nigeria as defined
in Section 1(i) of the Territorial Waters Decree No. 5 of 1967 as amended by
Section 1(i) of the Territorial Waters (Amendment) Decree No. 38 of 1971 as
follows:

"The territorial waters of Nigeria shall for all purposes include every
part of the open sea within 30 nautical miles of the coast of Nigeria
(measured from low water mark) or of the seaward limits of inland waters."