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INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON MARINE POLLUTION, 1973

Statement of the Delegation of Iraq

The President circulates herewith the text of a letter which he has received from the delegation of Iraq.

Dear Sir,

We have noticed that many of the papers and documents circulated during the International Conference on Marine Pollution refer to the Arab Gulf as the "Gulf" only. We, therefore, would like to draw your kind attention to the fact that for eighteen Arab countries, all Members of the United Nations, this Gulf is known and was always known as the Arab Gulf. In fact there is nothing that justifies its being named otherwise.

Geographically the Arab Gulf is surrounded by Arab lands with very long coastlines.

We wish therefore to register our objection to calling the Arab Gulf by any other name and wish to make our objection clear to all of the distinguished delegates attending this Conference.

We hope that this matter will meet your kind consideration.

Yours faithfully,

Signed A.Z. AMEEN
For the Iraqi Delegation

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