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

Proposed amendment to Article 6 (5)

Submitted by the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics

To replace present wording of paragraph 5 by the following:

(5) A Contracting State shall investigate a ship entitled to fly the flag of another Contracting State when it enters the ports or off-shore terminals under its jurisdiction, if a request of such investigation is received from any Contracting State together with sufficient evidence that the ship has discharged harmful substances or effluent containing these substances in any place.

With respect to discharge in the high seas in contravention of the Convention such investigation shall be initiated with the consent of the Administration.

The report of such investigation shall be sent to the State requesting it and to the Administration so that the appropriate action may be taken under the present Convention.