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Committee I
Agenda item 3

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

Proposed amendments to Article 8

Submitted by Sweden

Alternative I

Rodraft Article 8 to read as follows:

"(1) Nothing in the present Convention shall be construed as derogating from the powers of any Contracting State to take stricter measures within its jurisdiction in respect of any matter to which the Convention relates or as extending the jurisdiction of any Contracting State. Measures taken in accordance with this article must remain within the strict limits of the objectives of this Convention and must not be discriminatory in their application. Such measures must not unnecessarily or unreasonably restrict free shipping.

(2) States which adopt measures in accordance with paragraph (1) shall notify them to the Organization without delay. The Organization thereafter has to inform the Contracting States about the measures".

Alternative II

1. Replace in Article 8(1) the words "any matter to which the Convention relates" by "discharge standards".

2. Add a new sentence to paragraph (2) to read as follows:

"The requirements of this sub-paragraph do not apply to the internal water ways of a Contracting State which can be reached by sea-going ships, nor to waters the particular [ecological] characteristics of which render the environment exceptionally vulnerable.
