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CONSIDERATION OF THE DRAFT TEXT OF ANNEX I OF THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE PREVENTION OF POLLUTION FROM SHIPS, 1973

Proposal concerning Regulation 9(3), Annex I

Note by the United Kingdom

If the Committee decides that a requirement facilitating enforcement is desirable, the United Kingdom would propose a text as follows:

"(3) If it is proved that oil, making visible traces on or below the surface of the water, in the vicinity of a ship or its wake has been discharged from that ship, a violation of this Regulation (or Regulation 12 of this Annex), as applicable, shall be deemed to have been committed, unless it is proved that the discharge of oil did not violate the provisions of this Regulation (or Regulation 12). Negligible quantities of lubricating or sealing oil from propeller shaft oil scale should not be considered to have been discharged in violation of this Regulation (or Regulation 12)."