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CONSIDERATION OF DRAFT RESOLUTIONS RELATING TO ANNEX I OF THE CONVENTION

Draft Recommendation Concerning the Development of Efficient Oil Content Monitoring Arrangements

Prepared by the Secretariat

THE CONFERENCE,

HAVING NOTED the Regulations contained in Annex I of the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships, 1973 rely for their control and enforcement in a number of instances on an oil discharge monitoring system and in particular that Regulation 15 of that Annex requires that a tanker designed for retention of oil on board shall be fitted with such a system to control the quality of any effluent discharged to the sea,

NOTING FURTHER that Regulation 1(16) of that Annex permits ballast to be considered as clean ballast if oil content monitoring arrangements establish that the effluent from such a tank does not exceed 15 parts per million,

NOTING ALSO the Recommendation on International Performance Specifications for Oily Water Separating Equipment and Oil Content Meters adopted by the Inter-Governmental Maritime Consultative Organization by Resolution A.233(VII),

RECOGNIZING that further progress in the development of such monitors is an urgent requirement,

RECOMMENDS that the Organization should promote studies with a view to developing more sensitive, accurate and reliable oil content measuring instruments to cope with the full range of the oils covered by that Annex.
