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> DRAFT PROTOCOL RELATING TO INTERVENTION ON THE HIGH SEAS IN CASES OF MARINE POLLUTION BY SUBSTANCES OTHER THAN OIL

New Article III of the Protocol

Submitted by the delegations of Mexico, Netherlands and Spain

Article III

1. The list referred to in paragraph 2(a) of Article I of the present Protocol shall be established and maintained by an appropriate body designated by the Organization.

2. Any amendment to the list proposed by a Party to the Protocol shall be submitted to the Organization and circulated by it to all Members of the Organization and all Parties to the Protocol at least six months prior to its consideration by the appropriate body.

3. Parties to the present Protocol whether or not Members of the Organization shall be entitled to participate in the proceedings of the appropriate body.

4. Amendments shall be adopted by a two-thirds majority of only the Parties to the Protocol present and voting.

5. If adopted in accordance with paragraph 4 above, the amendment shall be communicated by the Organization to all Parties to the Protocol for acceptance. 6. The amendment shall be deemed to have been accepted at the end of a period of six months after it has been communicated, unless within that period an objection to the amendment has been communicated to the Organization by not less than one-third of the Parties to the Protocol.

7. An amendment doemed to have been accepted in accordance with paragraph 6 above shall enter into force six months after its acceptance for all Parties to the Protocol, with the exception of those which before that date have made a declaration of non-acceptance of the said amendment.