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DRAFT TEXT OF THE POLLUTION CONVENTION

Text of Article 8 as agreed by the Committee

Article 8

Powers of Contracting States

- (1) Nothing in the present Convention shall be construed as derogating from the powers of any Contracting State to take more stringent measures, where specific circumstances so warrant, within its jurisdiction, in respect of discharge standards.
 - (2) A Contracting State shall not, within its jurisdiction, in respect of ships to which the Convention applies other than its own ships, impose additional requirements with regard to ship design and equipment in respect of pollution control. The requirements of this paragraph do not apply to waters the particular characteristics of which, in accordance with accepted scientific criteria, render the environment exceptionally vulnerable.
 - (3) States which adopt special measures in accordance with this Article shall notify them to the Organization without delay. The Organization shall inform Contracting States about these measures.
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