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Agenda item 7

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

Statement by the Nigerian delegation as to the use of the term "Jurisdiction" in the Convention

In relation to Nigeria, the term "jurisdiction" as used in the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships, 1973, will be interpreted to refer to the territorial waters of Nigeria as defined in Section 1(i) of the Territorial Waters Decree No. 5 of 1967 as amended by Section 1(i) of the Territorial Waters (Amendment) Decree No. 38 of 1971 as follows:

"The territorial waters of Nigeria shall for all purposes include every part of the open sea within 30 nautical miles of the coast of Nigeria (measured from low water mark) or of the seaward limits of inland waters."
