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

Possible alternative to Article 8
Submitted as a result of formal discussions by numerous delegations

Article 8

(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.