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VOLUNTARY REPORTS ON SPILLAGES OF OIL

RESOLUTION A.189(VI)

adopted on 28 October 1969

THE ASSEMBLY,

NOTING Article 3(c) of the IMCO Convention, concerning the functions of IMCO, relative to the provision of machinery for the exchange of information among Governments,

NOTING FURTHER Resolution 15 of the International Conference on Prevention of Pollution of the Sea by Oil, 1962, recognizing the value of full and free exchange of information between Contracting Governments to the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution of the Sea by Oil, 1954 (as amended in 1962), and resolving that IMCO should from time to time produce Reports, for which the Contracting Governments would contribute information, as to, inter alia, the incidence of oil pollution and the effectiveness of the present Convention,

RECALLING its Resolution A.147(ES.IV) by which inter alia it recommended to Governments that they require the masters of all ships to report all accidents in which their ships are involved and which have given or may give rise to significant spillages of oil and to appoint an appropriate officer or agency to receive such reports,

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RECALLING ALSO its Resolution A.151(ES.IV) by which it invited Governments to co-operate in the detection of offences and to investigate a ship of another country, when it enters their ports, if a report has been received from any Government that the ship has discharged oil at sea or otherwise contravened the Oil Pollution Convention, so that appropriate action might be taken under Article X of that Convention,

BEARING IN MIND the advantages of establishing a record of up to date information, centralized in one organization, on occurrences which have given or may give rise to significant pollution of the sea by oil,

DESIRING further to improve the detection of offences in which significant or harmful quantities of oil are discharged into the sea,

REQUESTS the Maritime Safety Committee to review the existing arrangements for the reporting of incidents involving pollution of the sea by oil and to recommend what further arrangements it would be desirable to make in order

- (i) that Governments concerned should be informed of such incidents, and
- (ii) that the Organization should be able to compile a record of them for the furtherance of its own work and for the information of Member Governments,

INVITES Governments to inform the Secretary-General of all reports received in accordance with Resolution A.147(ES.IV) relating to accidents to ships which have given rise to significant spillages of oil.

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