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THE ASSEMBLY,

RECALLING its Resolution A.175(VI) adopted on 21 October 1969 by which it adopted amendments to the Articles and Annexes to the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution of the Sea by Oil, 1954, enabling significant progress to be made towards ultimate achievement of complete avoidance of discharge,

NOTING that the amendments have already been accepted by six States Parties to the Convention,

CONSIDERING its Resolution A.236(VII) encouraging the governments concerned pending the entry into force of the 1969 amendments to take steps to implement these amendments on a national basis,

CONSIDERING FURTHER its Resolution A.237(VII) by which it decided that the International Conference on Marine Pollution, 1973, shall have as its main objective the achievement, by 1975 if possible but certainly by the end of the decade, of the complete elimination of the wilful and intentional pollution of the seas by oil and noxious substances other than oil and the minimization of accidental spills,

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NOTING the provisions of Article VIII of the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution of the Sea by Oil, 1954, as amended in 1962,

NOTING Resolutions 6 and 7 of the International Conference on the Prevention of Pollution of the Sea by Oil, 1962,

AGREEING that oil reception facilities are essential for the prevention of pollution,

INVITES the governments concerned:

- (a) to review the existing facilities in the light of future needs, keeping in mind the special need for reception at oil loading ports of large quantities of oily ballast, considering particularly the problems of tankers on short voyages, the special need for reception of tank washings at discharge or loading ports, considering the particular problems of tankers and bulk carriers changing to cargoes other than oil, the need for discharge of tank cleaning residue when a vessel undergoes repair and the need for disposal of oily bilge water and residue from purification of fuel and lubricating oil;
- (b) to ensure the provision and maintenance of adequate facilities as soon as possible,

INVITES FURTHER the governments of States other than those which are Parties to the Convention to recognize the need for the provision of adequate facilities for the reception of oily water.

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