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PROPOSED ESTABLISHMENT OF A
REGIONAL OIL-COMBATING CENTRE
FOR THE MEDITERRANEAN

Report by the
Executive Director

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The Inter-Governmental
Maritime Consultative Organization

Addendum

1. In response to the decision of the Intergovernmental Consultation of Experts on a Regional Oil-Combating Centre that governments were to submit any offer to host the regional or sub-regional centres to the Geneva Office of UNEP, an offer to act as host to a regional or sub-regional oil combating centre was received from the Government of the Syrian Arab Republic after the report of the Executive Director (UNEP/CONF.1/9) had been processed for distribution. The offer of the Government of Syria is described in this addendum to the above mentioned report.

2. The Syrian Government is prepared to provide facilities for the establishment in Syria of a regional or sub-regional oil combating centre. The following personnel, facilities and services would be provided:

- A. A marine supervisor who would be responsible for studies and research, and who would supervise pollution prevention and control operations and facilities.
- B. Two to three technicians trained in oil pollution prevention.
- C. An engineer who would participate in pollution prevention and elimination operations.
- D. A vehicle for land transportation.
- E. A vessel.
- F. Office space in the buildings of the Directorate General of ports and in Latakia, Bancas and Tartous harbours.