

## RESOLUTION I

### **Signature, Ratification, Acceptance and Approval of and Accession to the Protocol concerning Cooperation in Preventing Pollution from Ships and, in Cases of Emergency, Combating Pollution of the Mediterranean Sea**

*The Conference,*

*Recalling* the recommendation of the Tenth Ordinary Meeting of the Contracting Parties, held in Tunis from 18 to 21 November 1997, to amend the existing Protocol concerning Cooperation in Combating Pollution of the Mediterranean Sea by Oil and other Harmful Substances in Cases of Emergency, 1976,

*Further recalling* the recommendation of the Twelfth Ordinary Meeting of the Contracting Parties, held in Monaco from 14 to 17 November 2001, to draw up a new Protocol rather than to amend the 1976 Protocol,

*Having adopted* on the twenty-fourth day of January 2002 the Protocol concerning Cooperation in Preventing Pollution from Ships and, in Cases of Emergency, Combating Pollution of the Mediterranean Sea (hereinafter referred to as the "Protocol"),

*Emphasizing* the need for the Parties having the competence to do so to become Parties to all other international instruments relevant to this Protocol, namely, the international Conventions dealing with maritime safety, the prevention of pollution from ships, preparedness for the response to pollution incidents and liability and compensation for pollution damage, as indicated in the Annex to this resolution,

*Desirous* of ensuring that the Protocol shall begin to produce beneficial results as soon as possible,

*Having regard* to Articles 22 to 25 of the Protocol which govern the signature, ratification, acceptance or approval of the Protocol and accession thereto and its entry into force,

*Having regard furthermore* to Article 29 of the Convention for the Protection of the Mediterranean Sea against Pollution, 1976, which designates the Government of Spain as Depositary of the Convention and of any Protocol thereto,

1. *Invites* the Government of Spain to open the Protocol for signature at Madrid from 26 January 2002 to 25 January 2003, by all those entitled to sign the said instrument by virtue of Article 22 thereof;
2. *Urges* all the Parties to the Convention to sign the Protocol as soon as practicable and to complete at the earliest opportunity the constitutional procedures needed for the ratification, acceptance or approval of the Protocol under their respective statutory or legislative provisions and to transmit the instruments of ratification, acceptance or approval to the Depositary;
3. *Calls upon* all the Parties to the Convention to accede to the Protocol as soon as possible after the period specified in Article 24 of the Protocol.

## ANNEX

### **List of International Conventions dealing with Maritime Safety, the Prevention of Pollution from Ships, Preparedness for and Response to Pollution Incidents and Liability and Compensation for Pollution Damage**

International Conventions dealing with maritime safety and prevention of pollution from ships:

- the International Convention on Load Lines, 1966 (LL1966);
- the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 (SOLAS 1974);
- the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships, 1973, as amended by the 1978 Protocol relating thereto (MARPOL 73/78);
- the International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers, 1978 (STCW 1978);
- the Convention on the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea, 1972 (COLREG 1972);
- the International Convention on Tonnage Measurement of Ships, 1969 (TONNAGE 1969);
- the ILO Merchant Shipping (Minimum Standards) Convention, 1976 (No. 147), and the Protocol of 1996 thereto;
- the International Convention on the Control of Harmful Antifouling Systems on Ships, 2001.

International Conventions dealing with combating pollution:

- the International Convention on Oil Pollution, Preparedness, Response and Co-operation, 1990 (OPRC); and the Protocol on Preparedness, Response and Co-operation to Pollution Incidents by Hazardous and Noxious Substances, 2000 (OPRC-HNS Protocol);
- the International Convention relating to Intervention on the High Seas in Cases of Oil Pollution Casualties, 1969 (INTERVENTION 1969) and its Protocol relating to Intervention on the High Seas in Cases of Pollution by Substances other than Oil, 1973 (INTERVENTION PROTOCOL 1973);
- the International Convention on Salvage, 1989 (SALVAGE 1989).

International Conventions dealing with liability and compensation for pollution damage:

- the International Convention on Civil Liability for Oil Pollution Damage, 1992 (CLC 1992);
- the International Convention on the Establishment of an International Fund for Compensation for Oil Pollution Damage, 1992 (FUND 1992);
- the International Convention on Liability and Compensation for Damage in connection with the Carriage of Hazardous and Noxious Substances by Sea, 1996 (1996 HNS Convention);
- the International Convention on Civil Liability for Bunker Oil Pollution Damage, 2001.

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### Interim Arrangements

*The Conference,*

*Having adopted* the Protocol concerning Cooperation in Preventing Pollution from Ships and, in Cases of Emergency, Combating Pollution of the Mediterranean Sea (hereinafter referred to as the "Protocol"),

*Having regard* to Article 13 of the Barcelona Convention, 1976, which designates the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) as responsible for carrying out the secretariat functions of the Convention and of any Protocol thereto,

*Bearing in mind* the need to prevent the pollution of the Mediterranean Sea related to maritime traffic and to further improve preparedness to respond to pollution incidents,

*Desirous* of facilitating the earliest practicable implementation of the Protocol,

1. *Invites* the Contracting Parties and the Executive Director of UNEP to ensure that the Thirteenth Ordinary Meeting of the Contracting Parties to the Convention for the Protection of the Mediterranean Sea Against Pollution and its Related Protocols considers the measures and actions necessary for the successful implementation of the Protocol;
2. *Also calls on* the Executive Director of UNEP to initiate consultations with the Contracting Parties and with the Secretary-General of the International Maritime Organization (IMO) on the workplan and timetable for meetings of experts to elaborate the technical aspects of the implementation of the Protocol;
3. *Invites* the Executive Director of UNEP to establish cooperation with relevant regional and international organizations, in particular IMO, in activities related to the implementation of this Protocol;
4. *Calls on* the Contracting Parties to the Barcelona Convention, pending the entry into force of the Protocol, to commence preparations for its implementation at both the national and regional levels;
5. *Emphasizes* the need for financial resources in order to accelerate the implementation of the Protocol and calls for international cooperation in this respect.

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## **RESOLUTION III**

### **Tribute to the Government of Malta**

*The Conference,*

*Having met* in Valletta, Malta, on 24 and 25 January 2002, at the gracious invitation of the Government of Malta,

*Convinced* that the important contribution made by the Government of Malta greatly added to the efficient conduct of its proceedings,

*Deeply appreciative* of the courtesy and generous hospitality extended by the Government of Malta to the members of the delegations, observers and Secretariat attending the Conference,

*Expresses* its sincere gratitude to the Government of Malta for the cordial welcome which was accorded to the Conference and to those associated with its work and for its contribution to the successful conclusion of the Conference.