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HEADQUARTERS AGREEMENT

Note by the Director

1 The relationship between the Host State and the 1971 Fund is governed by a Headquarters Agreement concluded in 1979 between the United Kingdom Government and the 1971 Fund (cf documents FUND/A.2/3, paragraphs 11-17, FUND/A.2/7 and FUND/A.2/16/1, paragraph 10). This Agreement, which sets out the privileges and immunities of the 1971 Fund, of delegates to Fund meetings and of staff members, is to a large extent modelled on the corresponding agreement between the United Kingdom Government and IMO.

2 The Director has held preliminary consultations with the United Kingdom Government on the question of the Headquarters Agreement for the 1992 Fund. The United Kingdom Government has indicated that it would have a preference for concluding a separate Headquarters Agreement dealing with all aspects of the relations between the 1992 Fund and the Host State, rather than amending the present Headquarters Agreement between the Government and the 1971 Fund.

3 Further discussions will be held in the near future concerning the various issues involved with the United Kingdom Government through the Foreign and Commonwealth Office and the Department of Transport.

Matters to be addressed

4 The Assembly of the 1992 Fund will be invited to consider the Headquarters Agreement for the 1992 Fund.
