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ESTABLISHMENT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Note by the Director

1. Article 21 provides that an Executive Committee shall be established at the first regular session of the Assembly after the date on which the number of Contracting States reaches fifteen. As this number has now been reached, the Assembly is invited to elect a Committee in the manner provided in Article 22.

2. Under Article 22, the following conditions apply to the election of the Committee:

- (i) when the membership of the Assembly is fifteen, the size of the Committee should be seven (Article 22.1);
- (ii) an equitable geographical distribution of seats should be secured on the basis of an adequate representation of Contracting States particularly exposed to the risks of oil pollution and of Contracting States having large tanker fleets (Article 22.2(a));
- (iii) three members should be elected among those Contracting States in the territory of which the largest quantities of oil to be taken into account under Article 10 were received during 1978. Only five members will be eligible for

election to those three seats (Article 22.2(b)). A member which was eligible under 22.2(b) but was not elected to one of those three seats shall not be eligible for any remaining seats on the Committee (Article 22.3).

3. In accordance with Rule 41 of the Rules of Procedure provisionally adopted by the Assembly at its first session, ballots should first be held for the election of three members under Article 22.2(b) and thereafter the ballots should be held for the election of the remaining four members.

4. For the convenience of the Assembly and with reference to Article 22.2(a), information about the size and tonnage of the oil tanker fleets of Contracting States as at 1 July 1978 is given in Annex I.

5. The Fund has not to date received from all the Members the reports on contributing oil receipts for the calendar year 1978. In case this information should not be available by the date of the second session, the Assembly may wish to have the relevant figures for 1977 which are at Annex II.

6. The Assembly may wish to know that the Government of Italy deposited an Instrument of Accession with the Inter-Governmental Maritime Consultative Organization on the twenty-seventh day of February 1979 and the Fund Convention will enter into force for Italy on the twenty-eighth day of May 1979.

ANNEX I

SIZES OF OIL TANKER FLEETS OF CONTRACTING STATES

(as at 1 July 1978, compiled from Lloyd's
Register of Shipping - Statistical
Tables, November 1978)

<u>Contracting State</u>	<u>Number of Oil Tankers</u>	<u>Gross Tonnage</u>
Liberia	821	49,778,422
Japan	1,428	16,385,739
United Kingdom	441	14,731,430
Norway	216	13,893,821
France	106	7,714,800
Germany, Federal Republic of	121	3,418,607
Sweden	106	3,075,005
Denmark	74	2,902,383
Algeria	20	642,675
Yugoslavia	29	214,779
Indonesia	75	105,240
Tunisia	2	27,030
Bahamas	4	14,506
Syria	(figures not available)	
Ghana	(figures not available)	

- Notes: (1) More recent figures will be provided to Members prior to the next session, if available.
- (2) As at 1 July 1978, Italy had a fleet of 289 oil tankers with a gross tonnage of 4,874,279 tons.

ANNEX II

CONTRIBUTING OIL RECEIVED IN THE TERRITORIES
OF CONTRACTING STATES IN THE
CALENDAR YEAR 1977

Status as at 6 March 1979

<u>Contracting States</u>	<u>Contributing oil (tons)</u>
	1977
Japan	363,729,406
France	136,807,000
United Kingdom	96,080,863
Hong Kong	3,833,146
Germany, Federal Republic of	84,576,968
Bahamas	34,937,916
Sweden	27,197,767
Denmark	12,313,872
Yugoslavia	9,650,000
Norway	9,584,000
Syrian Arab Republic	2,401,804
Tunisia	1,352,628
Ghana	1,308,824
Liberia	233,796
Algeria	No figure given yet
Indonesia	No figure given yet
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TOTAL: 15	784,007,990
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