

INTERNATIONAL OIL POLLUTION COMPENSATION FUND

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INVESTIGATIONS INTO THE CAUSE OF INCIDENTS

Note by the Director

1 At its 15th session, the Assembly accepted an offer by the delegation of the United Kingdom that the United Kingdom Government would be prepared to carry out a study of how the IOPC Fund could be afforded the opportunity of becoming involved in the investigations carried out by the competent coastal or flag State into the cause of incidents and of the Fund being granted access as soon as possible to the results of any such investigations (document FUND/A.15/28, paragraph 16.3).

2 The United Kingdom delegation has informed the Director that, unfortunately, it has not been possible to prepare this study in time for the 16th session of the Assembly. The delegation has indicated that it intends to submit this study at a future date.

3 In view of the foregoing, the Director proposes that consideration of this item be deferred to a future session of the Assembly.

Action to be Taken by the Assembly

- 4 The Assembly is invited to:
- (a) take note of the information contained in this document; and
- (b) take such decisions concerning the handling of this issue as it deems appropriate.