

## **RESOLUTION A.296(VIII)**

*Adopted on 23 November 1973  
Agenda item 13(f)*

### **INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON MARINE POLLUTION, 1973**

THE ASSEMBLY,

NOTING with satisfaction that on 2 November 1973 the International Conference on Marine Pollution adopted the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships, 1973 and the Protocol Relating to Intervention on the High Seas in Cases of Marine Pollution by Substances other than Oil,

HAVING CONSIDERED the provisions of the Convention, its Protocols, Annexes and Appendices and the Protocol relating to intervention and, in particular, Article 19 of the Convention and Article IX of the Protocol which assign depositary functions to the Organization,

HAVING ALSO CONSIDERED that the Convention and the Protocol relating to intervention confer certain functions on an appropriate body designated by the Organization, particularly the adoption of amendments to the Convention and the establishment and maintenance of the list to be annexed to the Protocol,

HAVING FURTHER CONSIDERED the Resolutions adopted by the Conference,

NOTING Resolution A.297(VIII) by which the Assembly established a Marine Environment Protection Committee,

DECIDES to accept the functions assigned to the Organization by the Convention and the Protocol adopted on 2 November 1973 and, in particular, the depositary functions conferred on the Organization,

DESIGNATES the Marine Environment Protection Committee as the appropriate body referred to in Article 16 of the Convention and Articles I and III of the above-mentioned Protocol,

INVITES governments to give consideration to ratification, approval or acceptance of or accession to the Convention and the Protocol at as early a date as possible.

## **RESOLUTION A.297(VIII)**

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### **ESTABLISHMENT OF A MARINE ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION COMMITTEE**

THE ASSEMBLY,

TAKING NOTE of Article 1 of the IMCO Convention regarding the purposes of the Organization,

BEING AWARE of the increasing extent and importance of the activities of the Organization relative to the prevention of pollution of the land, sea or air by or from ships, vessels and other crafts operating in the marine environment (hereafter referred to as ships),