

## SCHEDULES

### SCHEDULE 4

#### AMENDMENTS RELATING TO LIABILITY AND COMPENSATION FOR OIL POLLUTION DAMAGE

##### PART I

###### AMENDMENTS OF MERCHANT SHIPPING (OIL POLLUTION) ACT 1971

12 In section 15 (liability for cost of preventive measures where section 1 does not apply)—

(a) for subsection (1)(a) substitute—

“(a) after a discharge or escape of oil from a ship, measures are reasonably taken for the purpose of preventing or minimising damage in the area of the United Kingdom which may be caused outside the ship by contamination resulting from the discharge or escape; and”;

(b) after subsection (1) insert—

“(1A) Where—

(a) after there has arisen a grave and imminent threat of damage being caused outside a ship by contamination resulting from a discharge or escape of oil from the ship, measures are reasonably taken for the purpose of preventing or minimising any such damage in the area of the United Kingdom, but

(b) section 1(2) of this Act does not apply,

the owner of the ship shall be liable for the cost of the measures, whether or not the person taking them does so for the protection of his interests or in the performance of a duty.

(1B) Where a person is, by virtue of subsection (1) or (1A) of this section, liable for the cost of any measures, he shall also be liable for any damage caused in the area of the United Kingdom by those measures.”