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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

This Order further amends the Merchant Shipping (Prevention of Oil Pollution) Order 1983 so as to enable regulations to be made to give effect to certain amendments to the Annex of the Protocol of 1978 relating to the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships 1973 adopted by the Marine Environment Protection Committee “MEPC”) of the International Maritime Organization (“IMO”) at its 30th, 31st and 32nd Sessions.

The amendments adopted by the MEPC (which have the effect of amending Annex I (Regulations for the Prevention of Pollution by Oil) to the Convention) are contained in the following Annexes to Resolutions of the MEPC—

- (i) Annex 1 to Resolution MEPC 42(30), adopted on 16th November 1990;
- (ii) the Annex to Resolution MEPC 47(31), adopted on 4th July 1991;
- (iii) the Annex to Resolution MEPC 51(32), adopted on 6th March 1992; and
- (iv) the Annex to Resolution MEPC 52(32), adopted on 6th March 1992.

Copies of the Resolutions and Annexes may be obtained from IMO, 4 Albert Embankment, London SE1 7SR.