NOTIFICATION BY ARGENTINA

The attached notification dated 14 September 1990 has been received from the delegation of Argentina.
In reply to the secretariat's query concerning Argentine legislation on protection of the environment and prevention of pollution, the contents of each piece of legislation are summarized below.

1. **Decree 1.886, of 27 July 1983, on regulations governing maritime, river and lake navigation**

- Prevention of water pollution by hydrocarbons:
  - operating procedure for vessels transporting hydrocarbons;
  - on-board equipment, devices and systems for the prevention of hydrocarbon pollution;
  - rules on ship design to reduce pollution;
  - special requirements for platforms;
  - penalties.

- Prevention of water pollution by waste water;

- Prevention of water pollution by garbage;

- Prevention of air pollution by smoke and soot;

- Prevention of pollution by dumping of wastes and other substances.

2. **Law 22.190, of 11 March 1980, on prevention and monitoring of pollution**

- Obligation to keep a hydrocarbons log;

- Information on discharges;

- Installation of equipment and devices;

- Design rules.
3. **Decree 4.858, of 29 May 1973, on mandatory implementation of the national environment policy**

- Centralization of planning;
- Establishment of a legal and institutional co-ordination system to harmonize the actions of the various bodies;
- Promotion of technical and scientific research and also of research by private and national industries;
- Protection of the environment through the control of imported products;
- Shaping of public opinion.

4. **Law 20.284, of 10 April 1973, on provisions for the preservation of air resources**

- Setting of air-quality standards and maximum emission levels;
- Plan for the prevention of critical situations (alerts, alarms and emergencies);
- Limitation or prohibition of activities in affected areas.

I hope that this outline will be of use to you.

Yours sincerely,

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