ANNEX 7

RESOLUTION LDC.41(13)

DISPOSAL OF RADIOACTIVE WASTES INTO SUB-SEA-BED REPOSITORIES ACCESSED FROM THE SEA

THE THIRTEENTH CONSULTATIVE MEETING,

CONSCIOUS of the vital importance of the marine environment and the commitments made by the Contracting Parties for its protection, under the terms of the London Dumping Convention,

RECALLING that high-level radioactive wastes are listed under Annex I to the London Dumping Convention, and therefore cannot be dumped at sea, and that the disposal at sea of low- and intermediate-level radioactive waste is subject to resolution LDC.21(9), which establishes a suspension on the disposal at sea of radioactive wastes,

RECALLING ALSO that the Eighth Consultative Meeting agreed by consensus that the Consultative Meeting of Contracting Parties to the London Dumping Convention is the appropriate international forum to address the question of the disposal of high-level radioactive wastes into the sea-bed,

AGREES THAT:

1. The London Dumping Convention is the appropriate body to address the issue of low-level radioactive waste disposal into sub-sea-bed repositories accessed from the sea;

2. Disposal of low-level radioactive wastes into sub-sea-bed repositories accessed from the sea constitutes a form of disposal subject to resolution LDC.21(9), and is therefore suspended at present.

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