ANNEX 4

RESOLUTION LDC RES.7(IV) ON PROCEDURES FOR THE APPLICATION OF SCIENTIFIC ADVICE IN RESPECT OF THE LONDON DUMPING CONVENTION

THE FOURTH CONSULTATIVE MEETING,

REAFFIRMING that international action to control the pollution of the sea by dumping can and must be taken without delay,

NOTING Article XIV(4)(b) of the London Dumping Convention concerning the role of scientific bodies,

RECOGNIZING the need for continuing scientific and technical review of issues considered by the Consultative Meetings,

CONSIDERING therefore that there is likely to be continuing requirement for deliberations of the Ad Hoc Scientific Group on Dumping,

ADOPTS the terms of reference for this Group as set out in the Annex to this Resolution, and

RESOLVES to consider as a matter of high priority the preparation of formal procedures for the amendment of Annexes to the Convention in order to facilitate the achievement of its objectives.

ANNEX

TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR THE AD HOC
SCIENTIFIC GROUP ON DUMPING

The terms of reference of the Ad Hoc Scientific Group on Dumping are as follows:

1 To respond to requests from the Consultative Meeting for scientific advice on matters related to the Convention.

2 To review scientific information, as submitted by Contracting Parties or the Secretariat, particularly that arising from new scientific and technological developments (with respect to newly synthesized compounds, newly discovered hazards of existing substances and new techniques for waste treatment and disposal).

3 To prepare and maintain a list of hazardous substances or groups of substances to which particular attention should be paid, and, when sufficient scientific evidence has accumulated to warrant amendments to the Annexes of the Convention, to prepare recommendations for such amendments and submit them to the Consultative Meeting for action.

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