(c) to take energetic proceedings, within the framework of such revised legislation, by giving the prosecuting authorities responsible for taking public action such instructions as will enable systematic proceedings to be taken against any unlawful discharge of oil;

Invites the Maritime Safety Committee, in liaison, if need be, with the Legal Committee, to take the necessary steps to ensure that the Sub-Committee on Marine Pollution urgently pursues its work on this matter, and that proposals for amending the Convention, and particularly Articles IX and X thereof, in order to penalize more severely unlawful acts of pollution, be prepared as soon as possible and, if possible, in sufficient time to permit of their consideration by the Assembly at its next regular session.

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RESOLUTION A.154 (ES.IV)

OIL RECEPTION FACILITIES

The Assembly,

Noting Resolutions 6 and 7 of the International Conference on Prevention of Pollution of the Sea by Oil, 1962,

Agreeing that oil reception facilities are essential for prevention of pollution, unless oily mixtures are kept on board,

Being aware that during past years many such facilities have been constructed and that the results obtained by various countries show clearly the effectiveness of using reception facilities,

Recognizing the importance of the existence and of the use of facilities for reception of oil residues,

Recommends to governments that they:

- (a) report to the Organization on the installation of new shore facilities or changes affecting them with the intention that such information be summarized by the Organization and distributed to governments. Such information should include detailed data of technical and economic characteristics and evaluation of working effectiveness of each particular installation;
- (b) encourage studies of conditions under which ships may use shore facilities in a more effective way;
- (c) encourage ships under their flags, when calling in ports provided with shore facilities to use them.

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