IMPLEMENTATION OF AMENDMENTS TO MARPOL ANNEX I ADOPTED BY RESOLUTION MEPC.329(76)

Declaration by the Russian Federation pursuant to Article 16 (2)(f)(ii) of MARPOL

1 A declaration has been received from the Russian Federation concerning amendments to Annex I to the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships (MARPOL Annex I) regarding the prohibition on the use and carriage for use as fuel of heavy fuel oil by ships in Artic waters, adopted by resolution MEPC.329(76).

2 The details are annexed hereto and circulated to Parties to the Convention and Member States of the Organization for their information and appropriate action, if any.

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The Mission of the Russian Federation to the International Maritime Organization presents its compliments to the Secretary-General of the International Maritime Organization and with reference to the amendments to the Annex I of the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships (MARPOL) concerning the prohibition on the use and carriage for use as fuel of heavy fuel oil by ships in Arctic waters, as adopted by the Resolution MEPC.329(76), would like to inform of the following.

Pursuant to the decision of the Government of the Russian Federation and in accordance with the sub-paragraph (f)(ii) of the Article 16 of MARPOL the Russian side notifies the Secretary-General that the express approval of the Russian Federation will be necessary before the aforementioned amendments enter into force for the Russian Federation.

Therefore the amendments as adopted by the Resolution MEPC.329(76) will not enter into force for the Russian Federation on the 1st of November, 2022.

The Mission of the Russian Federation avails itself of the opportunity to renew to the Secretary-General of the International Maritime Organization the assurance of its highest consideration.

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