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

Declaration by Canada pursuant to Article 16(2)(f)(ii) of MARPOL

1. A declaration has been received from the High Commission of Canada concerning Annex 1 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 Arctic 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 High Commission of Canada to the United Kingdom presents its compliments to the Secretary-General of the International Maritime Organization in its role as Depositary and has the honour to refer to the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships, adopted on 2 November 1973, as amended (MARPOL).

Canada takes note of the amendments to Annex 1 of MARPOL adopted by the Marine Environment Protection Committee on 15 June 2021 and that these amendments are scheduled to enter into force for all Parties on 1 November 2022.

Canada wishes to inform the Depositary that it fully supports and intends to comply with the amendments. However, in view of the fact that it may not have finalized its treaty adoption process prior to the entry into force of the above-noted amendments, and based on its commitment of respect of international law obligations, Canada has decided to submit a notification in accordance with subparagraph (f)(ii) of Article 16 of MARPOL. Canada has begun its domestic procedures and will inform the Depositary of their completion in a subsequent note.

The High Commission of Canada to the United Kingdom avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Secretary-General of the International Maritime Organization the assurances of its highest consideration.

London, England
28 September 2022