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Intergovernmental Group to Monitor Supply and Shipping of Oil and Petroleum Products to South Africa

Summary of the decisions made at the meeting of Intergovernmental Group held 12 February 1988

- The Intergovernmental Group elected H.E. Ambassador Tom Eric Vraalsen (Norway), Chairman; Ms. Nabeel Al-Mulla (Kuwait), Vice-Chairman; and H.E. Ambassador Wilbert K. Chagula (United Republic of Tanzania), Rapporteur.
- 2. It declined the requests from the Shipping Research Bureau (SRB) to:
 - (a) Provide copies of its correspondence with Governments of Member States and non-Member States. The Group emphasized the importance of maintaining its working relationship with all Governments and that revealing its correspondence to non-governmental organizations would not be helpful. It was pointed out that all cases of alleged violations received and responses from Governments were summarized and contained in the report.
 - (b) Assist in the range of \$20,000, because of its limited budget. The Group however considered that in the light of the programme of work for 1988, it might require certain specific services from SRB which would entail certain financial remunerations to SRB.
- 3. The Group approved the proposal of the Chairman that a paper be submitted on the organization of work which would tackle questions relating to its programme of work. The Group also agreed to consider the establishment of two working groups, ways and means to diversify sources of information, action with respect to legislative and other measures to be adopted by States and methods for investigating cases of alleged violations of the oil embargo.