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**IMPLEMENTATION OF REGULATIONS 20 AND 21  
OF MARPOL ANNEX I**

**Communication received from the Administration of the Republic of Korea**

A communication has been received from the Administration of the Republic of Korea concerning the application of relevant provisions under regulations 20 and 21 of MARPOL Annex I.

In accordance with the provisions of regulations 20.8 and 21.8 of MARPOL Annex I, the communication annexed hereto, is circulated to Parties to the Convention for their information and appropriate action, if any.

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## ANNEX



Ministry of Land, Transport and Maritime Affairs  
Republic of Korea

The Ministry of Land, Transport and Maritime Affairs of the Republic of Korea presents its compliments to the International Maritime Organization and has the honor to advise that it has decided to decline the applications of regulations 20(5) and 20(7) to oil tankers entitled to fly its flag in accordance with regulation 20(8) of Annex I to MARPOL 73/78.

In this regard, oil tankers of 5,000 tonnes deadweight and above referred to in regulations 20(5) and 20(7) will be denied entry into the ports, offshore terminals, and other waters under the jurisdiction of the Republic of Korea.

And also the Ministry of Land, Transport and Maritime Affairs of the Republic of Korea has the honor to inform the International Maritime Organization that it has denied entry of oil tankers carrying heavy grade oil as cargo above referred to in regulations 21(5) and 21(6) into the ports, offshore terminals, and other waters under the jurisdiction of the Republic of Korea from 5 April 2006, as shown in the MEPC/Circ.441 of 6 April 2005.

The Ministry of Land, Transport and Maritime Affairs of the Republic of Korea avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the International Maritime Organization the assurance of its highest consideration.

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