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**(b) Consultations for designation or nomination of negotiators, etc., provided for by convention and protocol**

The Secretary of State, in consultation with the Secretary, shall designate or nominate, as appropriate and necessary, the negotiators, conciliators, or arbitrators provided for by the convention and the protocol.

**(c) Presidential acceptance of amendments to list of substances other than convention oil in accordance with protocol**

The President may accept amendments to the list of substances other than convention oil in accordance with article III of the protocol.

(Pub. L. 93-248, §13, Feb. 5, 1974, 88 Stat. 10; Pub. L. 95-302, §1(5), June 26, 1978, 92 Stat. 345.)

AMENDMENTS

1978—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 95-302, §1(5)(A), inserted provisions relating to applicability of article II of the protocol and provisions for proposal of amendments to the list of substances other than convention oil.

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 95-302, §1(5)(B), substituted “protocol” for “annexes thereto”.

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 95-302, §1(5)(C), added subsec. (c).

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1978 AMENDMENT

For effective date of amendment by Pub. L. 95-302, see section 2 of Pub. L. 95-302, set out as a note under section 1487 of this title.

**§ 1483. Foreign government ships; immunity**

No measures may be taken under authority of this chapter against any warship or other ship owned or operated by a country and used, for the time being, only on Government noncommercial service.

(Pub. L. 93-248, §14, Feb. 5, 1974, 88 Stat. 10.)

**§ 1484. Interpretation and administration; other right, duty, privilege, or immunity and other remedy unaffected**

This chapter shall be interpreted and administered in a manner consistent with the convention, the protocol, and other international law. Except as specifically provided, nothing in this chapter may be interpreted to prejudice any otherwise applicable right, duty, privilege, or immunity or deprive any country or person of any remedy otherwise applicable.

(Pub. L. 93-248, §15, Feb. 5, 1974, 88 Stat. 10; Pub. L. 95-302, §1(6), June 26, 1978, 92 Stat. 345.)

AMENDMENTS

1978—Pub. L. 95-302 inserted “, the protocol,” after “convention”.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1978 AMENDMENT

For effective date of amendment by Pub. L. 95-302, see section 2 of Pub. L. 95-302, set out as a note under section 1487 of this title.

**§ 1485. Rules and regulations**

The Secretary may issue reasonable rules and regulations which he considers appropriate and necessary for the effective implementation of this chapter.

(Pub. L. 93-248, §16, Feb. 5, 1974, 88 Stat. 10.)

**§ 1486. Oil Spill Liability Trust Fund**

The Oil Spill Liability Trust Fund shall be available to the Secretary for actions taken under sections 1474 and 1476 of this title.

(Pub. L. 93-248, §17, Feb. 5, 1974, 88 Stat. 10; Pub. L. 101-380, title II, §2001, Aug. 18, 1990, 104 Stat. 506.)

AMENDMENTS

1990—Pub. L. 101-380 amended section generally. Prior to amendment, section read as follows: “The revolving fund established under section 1321(k) of this title shall be available to the Secretary for Federal actions and activities under section 1474 of this title.”

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1990 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 101-380 applicable to incidents occurring after Aug. 18, 1990, see section 1020 of Pub. L. 101-380, set out as an Effective Date note under section 2701 of this title.

**§ 1487. Effective date**

This chapter shall be effective upon February 5, 1974, or upon the date the convention becomes effective as to the United States, whichever is later.

(Pub. L. 93-248, §18, Feb. 5, 1974, 88 Stat. 10.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The date the convention became effective as to the United States, referred to in text, is May 6, 1975.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1978 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 95-302, §2, June 26, 1978, 92 Stat. 345, provided that: “This Act [amending sections 1471 to 1473, 1479, 1482, and 1484 of this title] shall be effective upon the date of enactment [June 26, 1978], or upon the date the protocol becomes effective as to the United States, whichever is later.” [The protocol was adopted by the United States on Sept. 7, 1978, to be effective as to the United States upon its adoption by 15 countries. The protocol became effective as to the United States Mar. 30, 1983.]

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