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**IMPLEMENTATION OF ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION A.747(18)  
ON APPLICATION OF TONNAGE MEASUREMENT OF  
SEGREGATED BALLAST TANKS IN OIL TANKERS**

The Secretary-General has the honour to refer to resolution A.747(18) by which the Assembly of the Organization adopted a Recommendation Concerning Tonnage Measurement of Segregated Ballast Tanks in Oil Tankers and further to MSC/Circ.631 whereby, in pursuance of the request of the said resolution, he invited Governments concerned to provide information on experience gained from the implementation of that resolution.

The Secretary-General has the honour to transmit herewith a communication received from the Government of South Africa in response to the above request.

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**TONNAGE MEASUREMENT.  
SEGREGATED BALLAST TANKS**

1. In this matter you are referred to item 4, IMO Resolution 747(18) of 4 November 1994.

2. The matter was taken up with the South African Harbour Authority, PORTNET, who commented as follows:

*"As opposed to some world ports which do not apply the Resolution, Portnet has been applying a 5 percent rebate on port dues for ships certified having segregated ballast tanks, double hulled or in possession of a "green award" for in excess of a year.*

*The further enhancement of the rebate allowed SBT tankers is being researched at present and we will make an announcement thereanent in due course".*

3. You will be advised of any further development in this regard.

Yours faithfully

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