

INTERNATIONAL MARITIME ORGANIZATION

4 ALBERT EMBANKMENT,
LONDON SE1 7SR

Telephone: 01-735 7611
Telegrams: INTERMAR-LONDON SE1
Telex: 23588



S. Arc. 126
3 April 1985

IMO

Ref. T2/2.07

SAFETY OF NAVIGATION

Suspension of navigation in the
Strait of Messina

Statement by the Government of Italy

The information appearing overleaf on the suspension of navigation in the Strait of Messina has recently been received and is being circulated for the information of Member Governments.

Italian Embassy
14 Three Kings Yard
London W.1

H. 1-595

The Italian Embassy presents its compliments to the Secretary General of IMO and has the honour to inform him of the following:

The Italian Ministry of Merchant Marine has communicated that, with a ministerial decree dated 27th March 1985, following the recent events in the Strait of Messina, it has been ordered, for a period of 45 days, starting from the 3rd of April, the suspension of navigation in the Strait of Messina to ships of 10,000 gross tonnage or more, carrying cargo of hydrocarbon products or of substances harmful to the marine environment as determined by the existing International Conventions.

The Italian Embassy avails itself of this opportunity to convey to the Secretary General of IMO the assurance of its highest consideration.



London, 29th March 1985.
