#### **PATRAM 2010**

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# Panel Session: Liability & Insurance

### - Discussion on Civil Liability for Nuclear Damage -6<sup>th</sup> October 2010 IMO Headquarters, London

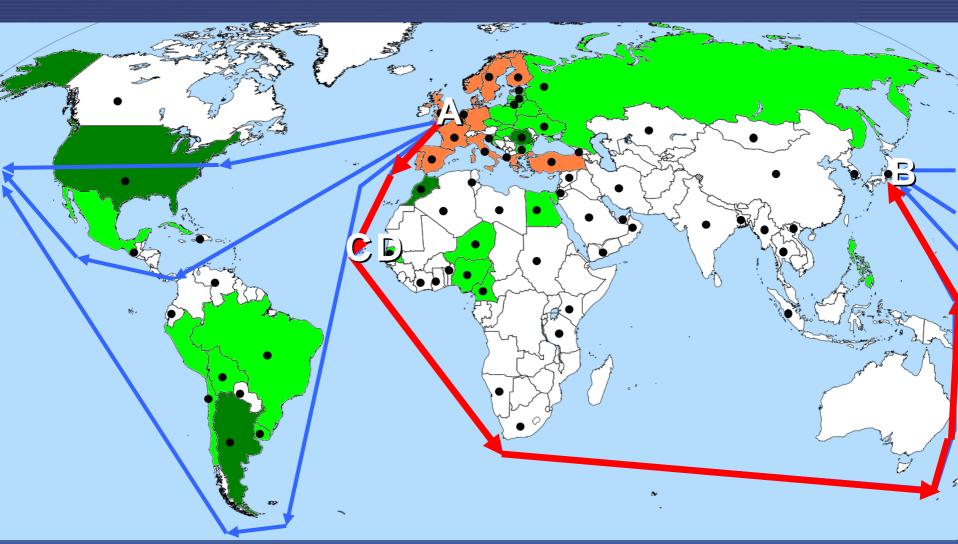
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### **TRANSPORT SCENARIO: OVERVIEW**





PC

VC

CSC

Operating or considering NPP

Transport routes

### **SPECIAL TRANSPORT LIABILITY RULES**

 Material sent between Contracting Parties (CPs): Sending Operator liable <u>unless contract</u>

 Material sent to Non-CP State: Sending Operator liable <u>until</u> <u>unloading</u> in non-CP

 Material sent from Non-CP: Receiving Operator liable but <u>upon</u> <u>written consent</u>



## **SPECIAL JURISDICTION RULES**

**BASIC RULE:** Court of the Accident State (if a CP)

- 60PC/ 63VC:
  - Accident outside CP's territory:
  - Accident in EEZ wherever:
- 04PC/ 97VC & 97CSC:
  - Accident in CP's EEZ:
  - Accident in non-CP's EEZ:

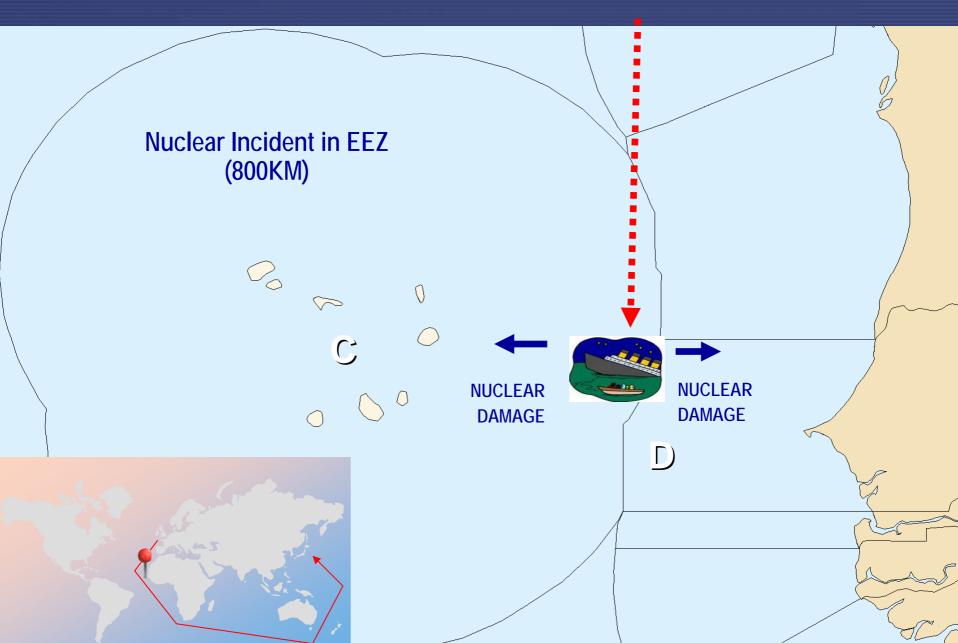
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Accident State Installation State

• Reason: to reflect recent trends in law of sea; to accommodate coastal States' concerns over nuclear transit



## **TRANSPORT SCENARIO: INCIDENT AND DAMAGE**



## **SCENARIO** 1

#### NUCLEAR LIABILITY STATUS

- Sending Operator
- Receiving Operator
- Incident State
- Damage Suffered

### **1960 Paris Convention**

 Non-Contracting Party + 1963 Vienna Convention

### SOME KEY ISSUES

- 1. Operator liable
- 2. Applicable instrument
- 3. State with jurisdiction
- 4. Scope of damage covered
- 5. Scope of liability outside of the nuclear liability regime



## **SCENARIO 2**

#### NUCLEAR LIABILITY STATUS

- Sending Operator
- Receiving Operator
- Incident State
- Damage Suffered

### 2004 Paris Convention 1997 Convention on Supplementary Comp. Non-Contracting Party + 1997 Convention on Supplementary Comp.

### SOME KEY ISSUES

- 1. Operator liable
- 2. Applicable instrument
- 3. State with jurisdiction
- 4. Scope of damage covered
- 5. Scope of liability outside of the nuclear liability regime



## **SCENARIO 3**

### NUCLEAR LIABILITY STATUS

- Sending Operator
- Receiving Operator
- Incident State
- Damage Suffered

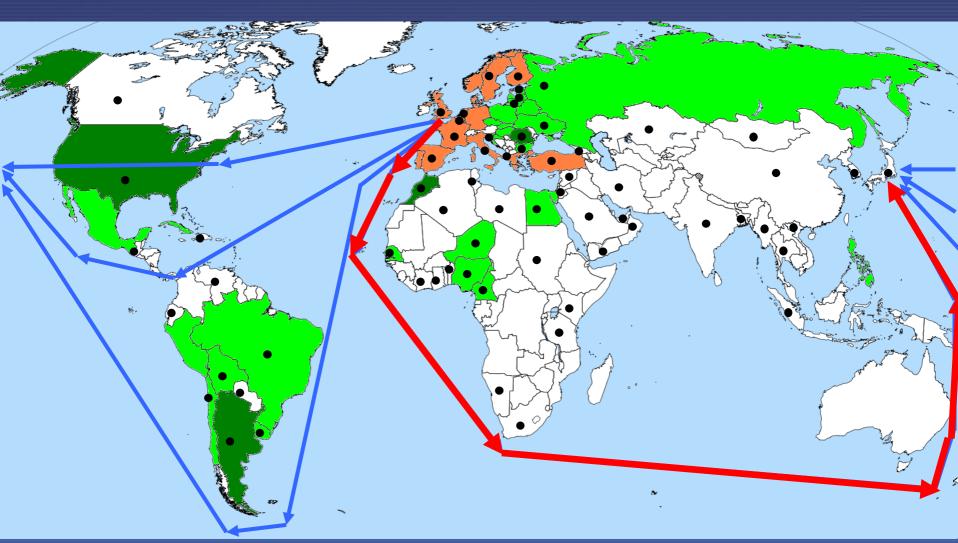
### - 1997 Convention on Supplementary Comp.

### SOME KEY ISSUES

- 1. Operator liable
- 2. Applicable instrument
- 3. State with jurisdiction
- 4. Scope of damage covered
- 5. Scope of liability outside of the nuclear liability regime



## **KEY POINTS AND CONCLUSIONS**





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# Thank you for your attention

