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The New Zealand Permanent Mission to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and has the honour to recall that on 22 August 2008 the United Nations Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf (the Commission) adopted recommendations regarding New Zealand's partial submission to the Commission

The Permanent Mission wishes to inform the Secretary-General that on 13 September 2018 by the enclosed Order in Council under the Continental Shelf Act 1964, New Zealand formally established the outer limits of its continental shelf in our national law. These outer limits are established in accordance with the recommendations adopted by the Commission on 22 August 2008 in respect of New Zealand's partial submission.

The Permanent Mission has the further honour to deposit relevant information, including geodetic data, permanently describing the outer limits of its continental shelf pursuant to articles 76, paragraph 9, and article 84, paragraph 2 of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea 1982 (the Convention).

The Permanent Mission recalls that according to article 76 of the Convention the limits of the continental shelf established by a coastal state on the basis of the Commission's recommendations shall be final and binding. In this regard, the Permanent Mission wishes to note that it established the outer limits of its continental shelf without prejudice to the outcome of future continental shelf delimitation negotiations in the South Fiji Basin, with Fiji and the Kingdom of Tonga, and possibly France (in respect of New Caledonia) in the area of the Three Kings Ridge

The Permanent Mission requests that the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea give due publicity to this note in accordance with articles 76, paragraph 9, and article 84, paragraph 2 of the Convention

The New Zealand Permanent Mission to the United Nations takes this opportunity to renew to the Secretary-General of the United Nations the assurances of its highest consideration

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