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The Charge d’affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Suriname to the United Nations presents his compliments to the Secretary General of the United Nations and has the honor to submit hereto attached letter no. 9509 from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Suriname regarding observations of the Government of Suriname towards the submission made by Barbados to the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf.

The Charge d’affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Suriname to the United Nations avails himself of this opportunity to renew to the Secretary General of the United Nations the assurances of his highest consideration.


Attn: Secretary General of the United Nations
No: 9509

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Suriname presents its compliments to the United Nations Secretary-General and with reference to his communication of 8 May 2008 (Continental Shelf Notification CLCS.10.2008.LOS) regarding receipt of the submission made by Barbados to the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf, has the honor to submit the following observations of the Government of the Republic of Suriname.

Suriname has a continental shelf entitlement in the area referred to in the Barbadian Executive Summary as the Southern Area.

According to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea, to which Suriname and Barbados are Parties, including its Annex II, and the Rules of Procedure of the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf, in particular Annex I thereto, the actions of the Commission shall not prejudice the matters relating to the delimitation of boundaries between States with opposite or adjacent coasts.

It is the position of the Government of the Republic of Suriname that the submission made by Barbados and any recommendations by the Commission are without prejudice to any future submission made by Suriname with respect to the continental shelf in the Atlantic Ocean and the delimitation of the continental shelf between Suriname and its neighboring States in the area referred to in the Barbadian Executive Summary as the Southern Area.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Suriname avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Secretary-General of the United Nations, the assurances of its highest considerations.

Paramaribo, 6 August 2008

To: the Secretary-General of the United Nations,
    New York