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The Permanent Mission of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Secretary-General of the United Nations, Under-Secretary-General for Legal Affairs/United Nations Legal Counsel and Director, Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea (DOALOS) and has the honour to refer to the Notification CLCS.48.2009.LOS.Add. 1 (Continental Shelf Notification) dated 8 April 2025 and our Note Verbale dated 11 July 2025.

Pakistan would like to draw attention to the two amended executive summaries in respect of “Western Offshore Region (Central Arabian Sea region)” and “Western Offshore Region (Northern Arabian Sea region)” submitted by Republic of India on 3 April 2025 to “[amend] the Executive Summary of the of the partial submission made by India[...] on 11 May 2009” and “supersede, in part, the corresponding portions of the 2009 partial submission with regard to the Western Offshore Region in the Arabian Sea and....”

Pakistan considers that the procedure adopted by India is not in consonance with the Rules of Procedures of CLCS. Pakistan objects that India has failed to reflect 'dispute' in Sir Creek area between India and Pakistan in clear and unambiguous terms in contravention of Rule 46 and Annex I (Para-2) of the Rules of Procedure of the Commission as already objected by Pakistan and communicated vide No.Sixth/LS/7/2020 dated 6 July 2020 and No. Sixth/LS/7/2021 14 January 2021.

The Government of Pakistan, therefore, in accordance with Article 5(a) of Annex-I to the Rules of Procedure of the CLCS, conveys its objection to India's amended submission and requests the Commission that further consideration of any of the amended Partial Submissions made by India on 3 April 2025 be scrutinized in light of Pakistan's objection and Rules of Procedures of CLCS as well as Statement by the Chair (Item 15 of CLCS/57/2).

The Permanent Mission requests that this Note Verbale be circulated to all members of the Commission and to all State Parties to the UNCLOS.

The Permanent Mission of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan to the United Nations avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Secretary-General of the United Nations, Under-Secretary-General for Legal Affairs/United Nations Legal Counsel and Director, Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea (DOALOS) the assurances of its highest consideration.

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