The Permanent Mission of the Kingdom of Denmark to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and, with reference to his communication of 30 April 2009, Ref.: CLCS.27.2009.LOS (Continental Shelf Notification), regarding receipt of the submission made by Iceland to the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf, has the honour to convey the following:

On 16 January 2013, the Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of Denmark together with the Premier of the Government of Greenland, and the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Iceland, signed, at Reykjavik and Copenhagen, Agreed Minutes on the Delimitation of the Continental Shelf beyond 200 Nautical Miles between Greenland and Iceland in the Irminger Sea.

According to the Agreed Minutes, when one State submits documentation concerning the outer limits of its continental shelf in the Irminger Sea to the Commission, the other State will notify the Secretary-General of the United Nations, in accordance with the Rules of Procedure of the Commission, that it does not object to the Commission considering the documentation of the other State and making recommendations on this basis, without prejudice to the submission of any further documentation by the other State at a later stage or to the question of bilateral delimitation of the continental shelf between the two States.

According to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea, to which both

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the Kingdom of Denmark and Iceland are Parties, including its Annex II, and the Rules of Procedure of the Commission, in particular Annex I thereto, the actions of the Commission shall not prejudice matters relating to delimitation of boundaries between States with opposite or adjacent coasts.

In accordance with the aforementioned, the Government of the Kingdom of Denmark together with the Government of Greenland hereby notifies the Secretary-General of the United Nations that it does not object to the Commission considering the documentation submitted by Iceland concerning the outer limits of its continental shelf in the Irminger Sea and making recommendations on this basis. Such recommendations are without prejudice to the submission of documentation made by the Kingdom of Denmark on 14 June 2012, any further documentation submitted by the Kingdom of Denmark at a later stage, or to the delimitation of the continental shelf between the Kingdom of Denmark and Iceland.

The Permanent Mission of the Kingdom of Denmark to the United Nations avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Secretary-General of the United Nations the assurances of its highest consideration.

New York, 17 January 2013

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