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The Permanent Mission of the Republic of India to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Secretary General of the United Nations, and has the honour to refer to the submission made by the Republic of Maldives on 26 July 2010 to the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf relating to the information on the limits of the continental shelf beyond 200 nautical miles from the baselines from which the breadth of the territorial sea is measured, in accordance with Article 76, paragraph 8, of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of India takes note of para 5.2 of the Executive Summary of the Maldives' submission which states that “the present Submission will not prejudice matters relating to the delimitation of maritime boundaries with any adjacent and opposite coastal States”.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of India would like to inform that the Maldives' submission is without prejudice to the continental shelf areas which India is entitled to in accordance with the relevant provisions of the UNCLOS or any future maritime/continental shelf delimitation between India and Maldives or submission by India.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of India to the United Nations avails of this opportunity to renew to the Secretary General of the United Nations the assurance of its highest consideration.

H.E. Mr. Antonio S. Guterres  
Secretary General of the United Nations,  
New York

(Attn: Division for Ocean Affairs and Law of the Sea)  

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