## The Permanent Mission of Canada to the United Nations



## La Mission permanente du Canada auprès des Nations Unies

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The Permanent Mission of Canada to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and has the honour to refer to the receipt by the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf of a partial revised submission from the Russian Federation regarding the limits of the continental shelf beyond 200 nautical miles from the baselines from which the breadth of the territorial sea is measured in the Arctic Ocean.

The Permanent Mission of Canada to the United Nations has the honour to advise the Secretary-General that it has taken note of the potential overlap in the aforementioned region of the continental shelves of Canada and the Russian Federation.

The Permanent Mission of Canada to the United Nations notes that the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea, to which both the Russian Federation and Canada are Parties, including its Annex II, and the Rules of Procedure of the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf, in particular its Annex I, provide that the actions of the Commission shall not prejudice matters relating to the delimitation of the continental shelf between states with opposite or adjacent coasts.

Referring to Part 5 of the Executive Summary of the aforementioned submission, the Permanent Mission of Canada to the United Nations has the further honour to confirm that it does not object to the consideration of the submission by the Commission and notes that the recommendations made by the Commission in respect of the submission are without prejudice both to the consideration by the Commission of any future submission by Canada and to matters relating to the delimitation of the continental shelf between Canada and the Russian Federation.

The Permanent Mission of Canada to the United Nations requests that this note be made available to States Parties to the Convention and members of the Commission.

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

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