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Receipt of the submission made by the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf

The Secretary-General of the United Nations communicates the following:

On 11 May 2009, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland submitted to the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf, in accordance with Article 76, paragraph 8, of the Convention, 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 respect of the Falkland Islands, and of South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands".

It is noted that the Convention entered into force for the United Kingdom on 24 August 1997.

According to the submitting State, "this represents the final partial submission to the Commission which the United Kingdom will make to the Commission, prior to the deadline of 13 May 2009."

In accordance with the Rules of Procedure of the Commission (CLCS/40/Rev.1), the present communication is circulated to all Member States of the United Nations, as well as States Parties to the Convention, in order to make public the executive summary of the submission, including all charts and coordinates contained in that summary. The executive summary of the submission is available through the website of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs, at: www.un.org/Depts/los.

The consideration of the submission made by the United Kingdom will be included in the provisional agenda of the twenty-fifth session of the Commission to be held in New York in March-April 2010.

Upon completion of the consideration of the submission, the Commission shall make recommendations pursuant to Article 76 of the Convention.