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The Permanent Mission of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland presents its compliments to the Secretary-General of the United Nations, and has the honour to refer to his communication of 28 July 2010, CLCS.53.2010.LOS (Continental Shelf Notification), regarding receipt of the submission made by the Republic of Maldives to the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf.

The United Kingdom notes that the submission of the Republic of Maldives does not take full account of the 200 nautical mile Fisheries and Environment Zones of the British Indian Ocean Territory, both of which themselves respect boundaries agreed with the Government of the Republic of Maldives at a technical level.

The United Kingdom is fully committed to formalising these boundaries at the earliest opportunity with the Republic of Maldives, and is content for the Commission to proceed to examine the Maldives submission in accordance with Annex I of its Rules of Procedure, on the understanding that this shall in no way prejudice the position of the United Kingdom.

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



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