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Minister for Foreign Affairs and Worship

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Dear Sir,

I have the honour to refer to the document entitled "Preliminary information indicative of the outer limits of the continental shelf and description of the status of preparation of making a submission to the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf, the Republic of Nicaragua" which the Republic of Nicaragua submitted to the office of the Secretary-General on 7 April 2010 and which was placed on the website of the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf http://www.un.org/Depts/los/clcs_new/preliminary.htm.

The Republic of Costa Rica wishes to inform the United Nations that the above-mentioned document submitted by the Republic of Nicaragua includes marine and submarine areas in the Caribbean Sea that belong to Costa Rica under international law. This has to do with the fact that there is no treaty on maritime limits between Costa Rica and Nicaragua.

In view of the foregoing, the Republic of Costa Rica expresses its reservations concerning the entire above-mentioned document and requests that this note be duly issued.

Accept, Sir, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration

(Signed) René Castro Salazar

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