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The Permanent Mission of Chile to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Secretary General of the United Nations -Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea (DOALOS)-, and it has the honour to refer to Chile's forthcoming submission before the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf, concerning information on the limits of the continental shelf beyond 200 nautical miles, in accordance with Article 76, paragraph 8, of the United Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS).

In accordance with the 2008 Decision of the Meeting of the Parties (SPLOS/183), in its Preliminary Information Indicative of the Outer Limits of the Continental Shelf submitted to the Secretary General on 8 May 2009, the Republic of Chile communicated that it envisaged partial submissions within a period of 10 years, unless otherwise specified. By Note Verbale 121/2019 of 17 December 2019, the Republic of Chile informed that it expected to submit its first partial submission during the first semester of 2020.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and related public health regulations imposed by the Government of Chile, in particular, extended precautionary quarantine in the Metropolitan area of Santiago and the closure of non-essential businesses, the submission of Chile's first partial report has suffered delay. Notwithstanding, the Republic of Chile informs its full commitment to submit its first partial submission before the end of autumn in the Northern Hemisphere.

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The Permanent Mission of Chile to the United Nations kindly request for this Note Verbale to be officially notified to all Members States and published on the website of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, in conformity with SPLOS/183, paragraph 1 (d).

The Permanent Mission of Chile to the United Nations avails itself of this opportunity to offer the Secretary General of the United Nations, the assurances of its highest consideration.



July 9, 2020

Secretary General of the United Nations

New York

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