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Receipt of the submission made by the Republic of India 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 Republic of India submitted to the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf, in accordance with Article 76, paragraph 2, 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.

It is noted that the Convention entered into force for India on 29 July 1995.

According to the submitting State, this is a partial submission in view of a coastal State in the Southern part of the Bay of Bengal. India reserves the right to make a later date, notwithstanding the provisions regarding interim claimants, a separate submission on the outer limits of its continental shelf, based on the provisions of the Statement of Understanding contained in Annex II to the Final Act of the Third United Nations Conference on the Law of the Sea.

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 partial submission, including all charts and coordinates contained in that summary. The executive summary of the partial 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 partial submission made by India 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.

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