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The New Zealand Permanent Mission to the United Nations and has the honour to recall that on 22 August 2008 the United Nations Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf (the Commission) adopted recommendations regarding New Zealand's partial submission to the Commission.

The Permanent Mission wishes to inform that on 17 September 2018 by the enclosed letter under the symbol UN Doc A/73/139, New Zealand formally established the outer limits of its continental shelf in our national law. These outer limits are established in accordance with the recommendations adopted by the Commission on 22 August 2008 in respect of New Zealand's partial submission.

The Permanent Mission has the honour to inform that the geodetic data, permanently describing the outer limits of its continental shelf, are contained in articles 76, paragraph 9, and article 84 paragraph 3, of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea 1982 (the Convention).

The Permanent Mission recalls that according to the Convention, the outer limits of the continental shelf established by a coastal State on the basis of the Commission's recommendations shall be final and binding. In this regard, the Permanent Mission wishes to note that it is not to be prejudiced to the outcome of future continental shelf delimitation negotiations in the South Fiji Basin, with Fiji and the Kingdom of Tonga, and possibly France (in respect of New Caledonia) in the region.

The Permanent Mission requests that the United Nations Secretariat for the Convention on the Law of the Sea give due publicity to this information in accordance with article 84, paragraph 3, and article 84, paragraph 2 of the Convention.

The New Zealand Permanent Mission to the United Nations takes this opportunity to renew to the Secretary-General of the United Nations its appreciation for his consideration.

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