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The Permanent Mission of the Islamic Republic of Iran to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and with reference to the latter's circular No. M.Z.N.83.2011.LOS dated 9 May 2011, notifying the deposit by the Republic of Iraq of a chart and a list of geographical coordinates of points defining the baseline of its territorial sea in the Persian Gulf, would like to state the following:

Due to the contravention of the baseline defined in the above-mentioned notification with the bilateral treaty commitments in force between Iran and Iraq, and the conflict of the said baseline with customary international law regarding the drawing of the territorial sea baselines, the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran reserves its position to the validity of the declared baseline. Iran, therefore, deems that any consequences arising from the Iraqi declared baseline, as reflected in the law of the Sea Bulletin No. 77, unacceptable and void of any legal effect.

The Permanent Mission of the Islamic Republic of Iran to the United Nations wishes to request that the present note be officially circulated in accordance with the established procedure.

The Permanent Mission of the Islamic Republic of Iran to the United Nations avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Secretary-General of the United Nations the assurances of its highest consideration.

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