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FOREWORD

This is the seventh issue of the Law of the Sea Information Circular (LOSIC), a periodic publication of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea (DOALOS), Office of Legal Affairs. Its objective is to communicate to all States and entities, especially those that are not as yet parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS), information on any action taken by States Parties in implementing UNCLOS as well as on activities undertaken by DOALOS pursuant thereto.

The purpose of LOSIC is also to assist States Parties to UNCLOS to discharge their obligations by giving due publicity to information in accordance with the Convention. This is of particular importance to coastal States, which under UNCLOS are obliged, inter alia, to give due publicity with regard to (i) charts and lists of geographical coordinates (articles 16(2), 47(9), 75(2), 76(9) and 84(2)); (ii) laws and regulations relating to innocent passage (article 21(3)); (iii) laws and regulations of States bordering straits relating to transit passage (article 42(3)); and (iv) charts indicating sea lanes and traffic separation schemes (articles 22(4), 41(2), 41(6), 53(7) and 53(10)).

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A Status of the Convention and Agreements

1. <u>Table showing the status of the Convention and of the Agreement relating to the implementation of Part XI of the Convention, as at 1 April 1998</u>

	United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea		Agreement relating to the implementation of Part XI of the Convention		
Prepared by DOALOS/OLA United Nations	pr≯	Signature (with ♦ / without ♦ declaration)	æ	Signature	
State or entity		Date of ratification; formal confirmation(fc); accession(a); succession(s); (4 declaration)		Ratification; formal confirmation(fc); accession(a); definitive signature(ds); participation(p);	Provisional membership <u>1</u> / in the International Seabed Authority until
Afghanistan	◊				
Albania					
Algeria	*	4 11 June 1996	y	11 June 1996 (p) <u>2</u> /	
Andorra			-	·····	
Angola	*	5 December 1990			
Antigua and Barbuda	♦	2 February 1989			
Argentina	*	4 1 December 1995	V	1 December 1995	
Armenia					
Australia	♦	5 October 1994	~	5 October 1994	
Austria	♦	€ 14 July 1995	V	14 July 1995	
Azerbaijan					
Bahamas	♦	29 July 1983	V	28 July 1995 <u>3</u> /	
Bahrain	\Q	30 May 1985			

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Bangladesh	\$				16 November 1998 <u>4</u> /	
Barbados	◊	12 October 1993	V	28 July 1995 <u>3</u> /		
Belarus	\$				16 November 1998 <u>5</u> /	
Belgium	♦		V		16 November 1998 <u>4</u> /	
Belize	♦	13 August 1983		21 October 1994 (ds)		
Benin	◊	16 October 1997		16 October 1997 (p) <u>2</u> /		
Bhutan	◊	NA				
Bolivia	\$	28 April 1995		28 April 1995 (p) <u>2</u> /		
Bosnia and Herzegovina		12 January 1994 (s)				
Botswana	◊	2 May 1990				
Brazil	\$	€ 22 December 1988	V			
Brunei Darussalam	◊	5 November 1996		5 November 1996 (p) <u>2</u> /		
Bulgaria	\rightarrow	15 May 1996		15 May 1996 (a)		
Burkina Faso	♦	**************************************	V			
Burundi	◊					
Cambodia	◊					
Cameroon	◊	19 November 1985	V			
Canada	◊		V		16 November 1998 <u>4</u> /	
Cape Verde	*	4 10 August 1987	V			
Central African Republic	◊	MATERIAL SING PACKSTAND FIELD & MATERIAL SING CO. C.				

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Chad	♦				20 2 100 2 1		
Chile	•	€ 25 August 1997		25 August 1997 (a)			
China	♦	€ 7 June 1996	~	7 June 1996 (p) <u>2</u> /			
Colombia	♦			771			
Comoros	\ \ \	21 June 1994					
Congo	♦						
Cook Islands <u>6</u>]	♦	15 February 1995		15 February 1995 (a)			
Costa Rica	\	21 September 1992					
Côte d'Ivoire	\ \ \	26 March 1984	V	28 July 1995 <u>3</u> /			
Croatia		€ 5 April 1995_(s)		5 April 1995 (p) <u>2</u> /	777757777		
Cuba	<u> </u>	€ 15 August 1984					
Cyprus	\ \	12 December 1988	~	27 July 1995			
Czech Republic	\	4 21 June 1996	V	21 June 1996			
Democratic People's Republic of Korea	♦						
Democratic Republic of the Congo	◊	17 February 1989	177		***************************************		
Denmark	\		~		** * ** ** ** ***		
Djibouti	\	8 October 1991					
Deminica	<u> </u>	24 October 1991					

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Dominican Republic	♦					
Ecuador						
Egypt	♦	@ 26 August 1983	V			
El Salvador	♦					
Equatorial Guinea	♦	21 July 1997		21 July 1997 (p) <u>2</u> /		
<u>Eritrea</u>				· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
Estonia						
Ethiopia	◊					
European Community	\$	1 April 1998(fc)	~	1 April 1998(fc)		
Fiji	◊	10 December 1982	~	28 July 1995		
Finland	♦	6 21 June 1996	٧	21 June 1996		
France	\$	6 11 April 1996	٧	11 April 1996		
Gabon	♦	11 March 1998	<u> </u>	11 March 1998 (p) <u>2</u> /		
Gambia	♦	22 May 1984				
Georgia		21 March 1996 (a)		21 March 1996 (p) <u>2</u> /		
Germany		414 October 1994 (a)	V	14 October 1994		
Ghana	◊	7 June 1983			***************************************	
Greece	♦	4 21 July 1995	<u>~</u>	21 July 1995		
Grenada	◊	25 April 1991	~	28 July 1995 <u>3</u> /		
Guatemala	♦	€ 11 February 1997		11 February 1997 (p) <u>2</u> /		

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State or entity		Date of ratification; formal confirmation(fc); accession(a); succession(s); (¶ declaration)		Ratification; formal confirmation(fc); accession(a); definitive signature(ds); participation(p);	Provisional membership <u>1</u> / in the International Seabed Authority until	
Guinea	*	6 September 1985	٧	28 July 1995 <u>3</u> /		
Guinea-Bissau	♦	€25 August 1986				
Guyana	♦	16 November 1993				
Haiti	♦	31 July 1996		31 July 1996 (p) <u>2</u> /		
Holy See 6						
Honduras	♦	5 October 1993	Marketon VI 200 1000			
Hungary	♦			**************************************		
Iceland	♦	€21 June 1985	~	28 July 1995 <u>3</u> /		
India	♦	€ 29 June 1995	V	29 June 1995		
Indonesia	. 0	3 February 1986	v	·		
Iran (Islamic Republic of)				***************************************		
Iraq	*	30 July 1985				
Ireland	\ \	€21 June 1996	٧	21 June 1996		
Israel					Visited And To 2 Policies Survey State Service Service Survey Sur	
Italy	+	€ 13 January 1995	~	13 January 1995	77771MMMMMMMMMMMMMMMMMMMMMMMMMMMMMMMMM	
Jamaica	<u> </u>	21 March 1983	~	28 July 1995 <u>3</u> J		
Japan	\	20 June 1996	~	20 June 1996		
Jordan		27 November 1995 (a)		27 November 1995 (p) <u>2</u> /		
Kazakhstan				A STATE OF THE STA		
Kenya	0	2 March 1989		29 July 1994 (ds)		

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Prepared by DOALOS/OLA United Nations	*	Signature (with ♦ / without ♦ declaration)		Signature	
0.		Date of ratification; formal confirmation(fc); accession(a); succession(s);		Ratification; formal confirmation(fc); accession(a); definitive signature(ds);	Provisional membership <u>1</u> / in the International Seabed
State or entity		(d declaration)		participation(p);	Authority until
Kiribati 6		42.881000			
Kuwait	<u> </u>	42 May 1986			
Kyrgyzstan Lao People's Democratic Republic	♦		V		16 November 1998 <u>4</u> /
Latvia					
Lebanon	♦	5 January 1995		5 January 1995 (p) <u>2</u> /	
Lesatha	\Q				
Liberia	◊				
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	\lambda				
Liechtenstein	\Q	***************************************			
Lithuania					
Luxembourg	<u> </u>		٧.		
Madagascar	\	A			
Malawi	<u> </u>				
Malaysia	\Q	4 14 October 1996	<u>٧</u>	14 October 1996 (p) <u>2</u>)	
Maldives	\Q		٧.		
Mali	♦	16 July 1985		*************************************	
Malta	\lambda	€20 May 1993	<u>۷</u>	26 June 1996	
Marshall Islands		9 August 1991 (a)	1		

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Mauritania	◊	17 July 1996	٧	17 July 1996 (p) <u>2</u> /		
Mauritius	♦	4 November 1994		4 November 1994 (p) <u>2</u> /		
Mexico	◊	18 March 1983				
Micronesia (Federated States of)		29 April 1991 (a)	~	6 September 1995		
Monaco	◊	20 March 1996	'	20 March 1996 (p) <u>2</u> /		
Mongolia	♦	13 August 1996	٧	13 August 1996 (p) <u>2/</u>		
Morocco	♦		V			
Mozambique	♦	13 March 1997		13 March 1997 (a)		
Myanmar	♦	21 May 1996		21 May 1996 (a)		
Namibia	\Q	18 April 1983	V	28 July 1995 <u>3</u> /		
Nauru <u>6</u> i	♦	23 January 1996		23 January 1996 (p) <u>2</u> /		
Nepal	♦				16 November 1998 <u>4</u> /	
Netherlands	\$	€ 28 June 1996	٧	28 June 1996		
New Zealand	◊	19 July 1996	~	19 July 1996	***************************************	
Nicaragua	+	- <u> </u>				
Niger	◊				To the T with the T wi	
Nigeria	♦	14 August 1986	~	28 July 1995 <u>3</u> /		
Niue 6	◊					
Norway	♦	4 24 June 1996		24 June 1996 (a)		

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Oman	*	@ 17 August 1989		26 February 1997 (a)		
Pakistan	\(\)	4 26 February 1997	<u> </u>	26 February 1997 (p) <u>2</u> /		
Palau		30 September 1996 (a)		30 September 1996 (p) <u>2</u> /		
Panama	◊	4 1 July 1996		1 July 1996 (p) <u>2</u> /		
Papua New Guinea	♦	14 January 1997		14 January 1997 (p) <u>2</u> /		
Paraguay	♦	26 September 1986	٧_	10 July 1995		
Реги						
Philippines	\$	4 8 May 1984	8/	23 July 1997		
Poland	♦		V_		16 November 1998 <u>4/</u>	
Portugal	♦	4 3 November 1997	V	3 November 1997		
Qatar	\rightarrow				16 November 1998 <u>5/</u>	
Republic of Korea	♦	29 January 1996	٧	29 January 1996		
Republic of Moldova						
Romania		4 17 December 1996		17 December 1996 (a)		
Russian Federation	<u> </u>	4 12 March 1997		12 March 1997 (a)		
Rwanda	\(\)					
Saint Kitts and Nevis	◊	7 January 1993				
Saint Lucia	\(\)	27 March 1985				
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	◊	1 October 1993				

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Samoa	◊	14 August 1995	V	14 August 1995 (p) <u>2</u> /		
San Marino					77)13	
Sao Tome and Principe	♦	3 November 1987			1 1 1 1	
Saudi Arabia	♦	€24 April 1996		24 April 1996 (p) <u>2</u> /		
Senegal	♦	25 October 1984	~	25 July 1995	***************************************	
Seychelles	◊	16 September 1991	V	15 December 1994		
Sierra Leone	◊	12 December 1994		12 December 1994 (p) <u>2</u> /	77.70	
Singapore	♦	17 November 1994		17 November 1994 (p) <u>2</u> /		
Slovakia	♦	8 May 1996	V	8 May 1996	***************************************	
Slovenia		€16 June 1995 (s)	V	16 June 1995		
Solomon Islands	◊	23 June 1997		23 June 1997 (p) <u>2/</u>		
Somalia	\lambda	24 July 1989		**************************************		
South Africa	*	4 23 December 1997	٧	23 December 1997		
Spain	*	€ 15 January 1997	~	15 January 1997		
Sri Lanka	\lambda	19 July 1994	·	28 July 1995 <u>3/</u>	***************************************	
Sudan	*	23 January 1985	V			
Suriname	♦					
Swaziland	♦		V			
Sweden	*	€ 25 June 1996	٧	25 June 1996	-	
Switzerland 6	♦		V		16 November 1998 <u>4</u> /	

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Syrian Arab Republic						
Tajikistan						
Thailand	\lambda					
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia		19 August 1994 (s)		19 August 1994 (p) <u>2</u> /		
Togo	\	16 April 1985	0	28 July 1995 <u>3/</u>		
Tonga 6j	January	2 August 1995 (a)		2 August 1995 (p) <u>2</u> /		
Trinidad and Tobago	◊	25 April 1986	~	28 July 1995 <u>3/</u>		
Tunisia	\Q	4 24 April 1985				
Turkey				·		
Turkmenistan					***************************************	
Tuvalu <u>6</u> l	\					
Uganda	♦	9 November 1990	\ <u>'</u>	28 July 1995 <u>3/</u>	American Control of the Control of t	
Ukraine	. •		~		16 November 1998 <u>4</u> J	
United Arab Emirates	♦				16 November 1998 <u>4</u> J	
United Kingdom		4 25 July 1997 (a)	<u> </u>	25 July 1997		
United Republic of Tanzania	\$	430 September 1985	~			
United States of America	<u> </u>		V		16 November 1998 <u>4</u> /	
Uruguay	\$	€10 December 1992				

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Uzbekistan					
Vanuatu	◊		V		
Venezuela		W) W X 7 1 2 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7			
Viet Nam	\$	€25 July 1994			
Yemen	♦	4 21 July 1987			***
Yugoslavia	♦	€5 May 1986	~	28 July 1995 <u>3</u> J	-
Zambia	♦	7 March 1983	V	28 July 1995 <u>3</u> /	
Zimbəbwe	\	24 February 1993	<u> </u>	28 July 1995 <u>3</u> /	
TOTALS	158	125	79	88	12

NOTES

In accordance with article 6, paragraph 1, the Agreement entered into force on 28 July 1996. On the same date, in accordance with its article 7, paragraph 3, the provisional application of the Agreement terminated. In accordance with the provisions of section 1, paragraph 12 (a), of the Annex to the Agreement, States and entities referred to in article 3 of the Agreement which had been applying it provisionally and for which it was not in force were able to continue to be members of the Authority on a provisional basis, pending its entry into force for such States and entities, by sending a written notification to the depositary to that effect. The following States and entity made such notification: Bangladesh, Belgium, Cambodia, Canada, Chile, Congo, European Community, Gabon, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Luxembourg, Malaysia, Nepal, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Poland, Russian Federation, South Africa, Suriname, Switzerland, Ukraine, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United States of America.

Paragraph 12(a) also provides that such membership shall terminate either on 16 November 1996 or upon the entry into force of the Agreement and the Convention for such member, whichever is earlier. Furthermore, it has empowered the Council to extend, upon the request of the State or entity concerned, such membership beyond 16 November 1996 for a further period or periods not exceeding a total of two years provided that the Council is satisfied that the State or entity concerned has been making efforts in good faith to become a party to the Agreement and the Convention.

At the second (resumed), third and fourth sessions of the International Seabed Authority, held at Kingston, Jamaica, in August 1996, March 1997 and March 1998, respectively, the Council of the Authority approved requests for the extension of membership on a provisional basis of the following States: Bangladesh, Belarus, Belgium, Canada, Chile, *European Community*, Gabon, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Mozambique, Nepal, Poland, Qatar, Russian Federation, Solomon Islands, South Africa, Switzerland, Ukraine, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and United States of America (see documents ISBA/C/9; ISBA/3/C/3; ISBA/3/C/11; and Press-Release SEA/1574). The following States and entities became or are in the process of becoming States Parties and, consequently, full members of the Authority: Chile, Gabon (10 April 1998), *European Community* (1 May 1998), Mozambique, Russian Federation, Solomon Islands, South Africa and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

- 2/ State bound by the Agreement by having ratified, acceded or succeeded to the Convention under article 4, paragraph 1, of the Agreement.
- 3/ State bound by the Agreement under the simplified procedure set out in article 5 of the Agreement
- 4/ States and entities which continue to be members of the Authority on a provisional basis after 16 November 1996, as decided by the Council of the Authority, in accordance with section 1, paragraph 12(a), of the Annex to the Agreement (see note 1).
- 5/ States which have not notified the depositary in accordance with section 1, paragraph 12(a), of the Annex to the Agreement (see note 1) but are considered to be members of the Authority on a provisional basis after 16 November 1996, as decided by the Council of the Authority on 18 March 1997.
- 6/ Non-member State of the United Nations

2. Settlement of disputes mechanism; choice of procedure by States Parties under article 287 of the Convention

The following choices are expressed in declarations made at the time of ratification, accession or succession to the Convention, in accordance with article 310, in the order presented by each State mentioned:

1. Algeria accepts the jurisdiction of the International Court of Justice only with a prior agreement between the parties concerned in each case.

2. Argentina

- (a) International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea
- (b) Special arbitral tribunal under Annex VIII

3. Austria

- (a) International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea
- (b) Special arbitral tribunal under Annex VIII
- (c) International Court of Justice

4. Cape Verde

- (a) International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea
- (b) International Court of Justice

5. Chile

- (a) International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea
- (b) Special arbitral tribunal under Annex VIII
- 6. Cuba rejects the jurisdiction of the International Court of Justice for any types of disputes.

7. Egypt

Arbitral tribunal under Annex VII

8. Finland

International Court of Justice and the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea

9. Germany

- (a) International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea
- (b) Special arbitral tribunal under Annex VIII
- (c) International Court of Justice

10. Greece

International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea

Guinea-Bissau rejects the jurisdiction of the International Court of Justice for any types of disputes.

12. Italy

International Court of Justice and the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea

13. Netherlands

International Court of Justice

14. Norway

International Court of Justice

- 15. Oman
 - (a) International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea
 - (b) International Court of Justice
- 16. Portugal
 - (a) International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea
 - (b) International Court of Justice
 - (c) Arbitral tribunal under Annex VII
 - (d) Special arbitral tribunal under Annex VIII
- 17. Spain

International Court of Justice

18. Sweden

International Court of Justice

19. United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

International Court of Justice

20. United Republic of Tanzania

International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea

21. Uruguay

International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea

3. Table showing the status of the Agreement for the implementation of the provisions of the Convention relating to the conservation and management of straddling fish stocks and highly migratory fish stocks, as at 1 April 1998

State or <i>entity</i> 15	Signature <u>2</u> / (d declaration/statement)	Provisional application as of	Ratification; accession ^(a) 3/ (4 declaration)
Afghanistan	Control of the state of the sta		
Albania			
Algerìa♦			
Andorra			
Angola ♦			
Antigua and Barbuda 🕈			
Argentina ♦	4 December 1995		
Armenia			
Australia ♦	4 December 1995		
Austria 🔷	27 June 1996		
<u>Azerbaljan</u>			
Bahamas 💠			16 January 1997 ^(a)
Bahrain 🔷		***	
Bangladesh	4 December 1995		
Barbados 🕈			
Belarus			
Belgium	3 October 1996		
Belize 💠	4 December 1995		
Benin 🕈			
Bhutan			
Bolivia 🌢			
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NOTES

1/	•	States or <i>entities</i> which are Parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982.
	:	Land-locked States.
<u>2</u> /		In accordance with its article 37, the Agreement was opened for signature at United Nations Headquarters from 4 December 1995 until 4 December 1996 by all States and the other entities referred to in article 305 (1) (a), (c), (d), (e) and (f) of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982.
<u>3</u> /		In accordance with its article 40, the Agreement shall enter into force 30 days after the date of deposit of the thirtieth instrument of ratification or accession.
4/		Non-member State of the United Nations.

B. Resolutions adopted by the United Nations General Assembly

1. Resolution 52/26 - Oceans and the law of the sea

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 49/28 of 6 December 1994, 50/23 of 5 December 1995 and 51/34 of 9 December 1996 adopted subsequent to the entry into force of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea1/ on 16 November 1994,

Emphasizing the universal character of the Convention and its fundamental importance for the maintenance and strengthening of international peace and security, as well as for the sustainable use and development of the seas and oceans and their resources,

Conscious that the problems of ocean space are closely interrelated and need to be considered as a whole.

Conscious also of the strategic importance of the Convention as a framework for national, regional and global action in the marine sector, as recognized also by the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development in chapter 17 of Agenda 21,2/

Recalling its resolution S-19/2 of 28 June 1997, to which is annexed the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21, in particular paragraph 36 thereof dealing with oceans and seas, as well as its decision that oceans and seas will be the sectoral theme discussed at the seventh session of the Commission on Sustainable Development in 1999,

Recalling also its resolution 49/131 of 19 December 1994 on the International Year of the Ocean, Considering that, in its resolution 2749 (XXV) of 17 December 1970, it proclaimed that the seabed and ocean floor, and the subsoil thereof, beyond the limits of national jurisdiction ("the Area"), as well as the resources of the Area, are the common heritage of mankind, and considering also that the Convention, together with the Agreement relating to the implementation of Part XI of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 ("the Agreement"),3/2 provides the regime to be applied to the Area and its resources,

Noting with satisfaction the increase in the number of States parties to the Convention and the Agreement,

Aware of the importance of the effective implementation of the Convention and its uniform and consistent application, as well as of the growing need to promote and facilitate international cooperation on the law of the sea and ocean affairs at the global, regional and subregional levels,

Recognizing the impact on States of the entry into force of the Convention and the increasing need, particularly of developing States, for advice and assistance in its implementation in order to benefit thereunder,

Recalling the provisions of Part XV of the Convention establishing a comprehensive dispute settlement system and article 287 regarding the choice of means for the settlement of disputes,

Recalling also the establishment of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea ("the Tribunal")4/ in accordance with Annex VI to the Convention as a new means for the settlement of disputes concerning the interpretation or application of the Convention and the Agreement,

Welcoming the establishment of the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf ("the Commission")

^{1/} Official Records of the Third United Nations Conference on the Law of the Sea, vol XVII (United Nations publication, Sales No E 84 V 3), document A/CONF 62/122

²¹ Report of the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development, Rio de Janeiro, 3-14 June 1992 (United Nations publication, Sales No E 93 I 8 and corrigenda), vol I: Resolutions Adopted by the Conference, resolution 1, annex II

^{3/} Resolution 48/263, annex

^{4/} SPLOS/14, chap III.

during the sixth Meeting of States Parties to the Convention, 5/

Noting the progress in the work of the Commission during its first6/ and second7/ sessions, held in June and September 1997, on developing its rules of procedure and its modus operandi,

Recalling that the institutions established by the Convention shall be cost-effective,

Expressing its appreciation once again to the Secretary-General for his efforts in support of the Convention and in its effective implementation, including providing assistance in the functioning of the institutions created by the Convention,

Noting the responsibilities of the Secretary-General under the Convention and related resolutions of the General Assembly, in particular resolution 49/28, and emphasizing the importance of the performance of such responsibilities for the effective and consistent implementation of the Convention,

Recalling its resolution 50/214 of 23 December 1995, in which it decided that savings in the programme budget would not affect the full implementation of mandated programmes and activities,

Noting with appreciation the continued efforts of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea of the Office of Legal Affairs of the Secretariat to provide timely information on the oceans, marine affairs and the law of the sea through its Web site on the Internet,

Conscious of the need to promote and facilitate international cooperation, especially at the subregional and regional levels, in order to ensure the orderly and sustainable development of the uses and resources of the seas and oceans,

Taking note of the report of the Secretary-General, 8/ and reaffirming the importance of the annual consideration and review by the General Assembly of the overall developments pertaining to the implementation of the Convention, as well as of other developments relating to the law of the sea and ocean affairs.

- 1. Calls upon all States that have not done so, in order to achieve the goal of universal participation, to become parties to the Convention and the Agreement;
- 2. Calls upon States to harmonize their national legislation with the provisions of the Convention, to ensure the consistent application of those provisions and to ensure also that any declarations or statements that they have made or make when signing, ratifying or acceding are in conformity with the Convention and to withdraw any of their declarations or statements that are not in conformity;
- Reaffirms the unified character of the Convention;
- 4. Requests the Secretary-General to convene the Meeting of States Parties to the Convention from 18 to 22 May 1998;
- 5. Approves the convening by the Secretary-General of the third and fourth sessions of the Commission, to be held from 4 to 15 May and 31 August to 4 September 1998 respectively;
- 6. Notes with satisfaction the progress in the work of the International Seabed Authority, in particular the approval, during the third session of the Authority in 1997, of seven plans of work for exploration in the Area, and the progress being made by the Legal and Technical Commission towards the formulation of a draft mining code;
- 7 Notes with appreciation the adoption of the Agreement on the Privileges and Immunities of the Tribunal, the progress made towards the conclusion of a headquarters agreement between the Tribunal and Germany and the adoption by the Tribunal of the Rules

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^{5/} SPLOS/20, chap III

of the Tribunal, the resolution on internal judicial practice and the guidelines for the preparation and presentation of cases before the tribunal;

- 8. Encourages States parties to the Convention to consider making a written declaration choosing from the means set out in article 287 of the Convention for the settlement of disputes concerning the interpretation or application of the Convention and the Agreement, and invites States to note the provisions of Annexes V, VI, VII and VIII to the Convention concerning, respectively, conciliation, the Tribunal, arbitration and special arbitration;
- 9. Expresses its appreciation to the Secretary-General for the annual comprehensive report on the law of the sea⁸ and the activities of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea of the Office of Legal Affairs of the Secretariat, in accordance with the provisions of the Convention and the mandate set forth in resolution 49/28;
- 10. Requests the Secretary-General to ensure that the institutional capacity of the Organization adequately responds to the needs of States, the newly established institutions (including the International Seabed Authority and the Tribunal) and other competent international organizations by providing advice and assistance, taking into account the special needs of developing countries;
- 11. Also requests the Secretary-General to continue to carry out the responsibilities entrusted to him in the Convention and related resolutions of the General Assembly and to ensure that the performance of such activities is not adversely affected by savings as may be realized under the approved budget for the Organization; these activities include, inter alia:
- (a) Preparing annually a comprehensive report for the consideration of the General Assembly on developments relating to ocean affairs and the law of the sea;
- (b) Preparing periodically special reports on specific topics such as fisheries, transit problems of the landlocked developing States or other topics of current interest, including those requested by intergovernmental

conferences and bodies, taking into account the provisions of the Convention;

- (c) Developing and maintaining the appropriate facilities for the deposit by States of charts and geographical coordinates concerning maritime zones, including lines of delimitation, and to give due publicity thereto, as required by article 16, paragraph 2, article 47, paragraph 9, article 75, paragraph 2, article 76, paragraph 9 and article 84, paragraph 2, of the Convention:
- (d) Strengthening the existing system for the collection, compilation and dissemination of information on ocean affairs and the law of the sea and, in cooperation with the relevant international organizations, furthering the development of a centralized system for providing coordinated information and advice;
- (e) Undertaking efforts to promote better understanding of the Convention and the Agreement in order to ensure their effective implementation;
- (f) Ensuring appropriate responses to requests of States, in particular developing States, for advice and assistance in implementing the provisions of the Convention and the Agreement;
- (g) Preparing for and convening the Meetings of States Parties to the Convention and providing the necessary services for such meetings, in accordance with the Convention;
- (h) Preparing for and convening the meetings of the Commission and providing it with the necessary services in accordance with the Convention:
- (i) Strengthening training activities in ocean and coastal area management and development;
- 12. Reaffirms the importance of ensuring the uniform and consistent application of the Convention and a coordinated approach to its overall implementation, and of strengthening technical cooperation and financial assistance for this purpose, stresses once again the continuing importance of the efforts of the Secretary-General to these ends, and reiterates its invitation to the competent international

organizations and other international bodies to support these objectives;

- 13. Invites Member States and others in a position to do so to contribute to the further development of the Hamilton Shirley Amerasinghe Memorial Fellowship Programme on the Law of the Sea and of the training and educational activities on the law of the sea and ocean affairs established by the General Assembly in resolution 35/116 of 10 December 1980, as well as advisory services and assistance in support of effective implementation of the Convention;
- 14. Calls upon States to implement its resolution 51/189 of 16 December 1996 and to strengthen the implementation of existing international and regional agreements on marine pollution;
- 15. Also calls upon States to take actions, individually or collectively and through their participation in competent global, regional, and subregional forums, to improve the quality and quantity of scientific data as a basis for effective decisions related to protection of the marine environment and the conservation of living marine resources;
- 16. Notes that it proclaimed the year 1998 as the International Year of the Ocean;
- 17. Reaffirms its decision to undertake an annual review and evaluation of the implementation of the Convention and other developments relating to ocean affairs and the law of the sea;
- 18. Requests the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its fifty-third session on the implementation of the present resolution, including other developments and issues relating to ocean affairs and the law of the sea, in connection with his annual comprehensive report on oceans and the law of the sea, and to circulate the report sufficiently in advance of consideration by the General Assembly of the item concerning oceans and the law of the sea;
- 19. Decides to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-third session the item entitled "Oceans and the law of the sea".

57th plenary meeting 26 November 1997 2. Resolution 52/27 - Agreement concerning the Relationship between the United Nations and the International Seabed Authority

(Not reprinted, see document A/RES/52/27 of 28 January 1998)

3 Resolution 52/28: Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 47/192 of 22 December 1992, concerning the United Nations Conference on Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks, and resolutions 50/24 of 5 December 1995 and 51/35 of 9 December 1996, concerning the Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks,1/

Recalling also resolutions I and II adopted by the Conference,2/

Recognizing the importance of the Agreement for the conservation and management of straddling fish stocks and highly migratory fish stocks and the need for the regular consideration and review of developments relating thereto,

Recognizing also the importance of artisanal and subsistence fishers,

Noting with appreciation the information provided by States, relevant specialized agencies, international organizations, intergovernmental bodies and non-governmental organizations in accordance with resolution 51/35,

^{1/} A/CONF 164/37; see also A/50/550, annex I

^{2/} A/CONF 164/38, annex; see also A/50/550, annex II

Taking note of the report of the Secretary-General, 3/

- 1. Recognizes the significance of the Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks as an important contribution to ensuring the conservation and management of straddling fish stocks and highly migratory fish stocks;
- 2. Emphasizes the importance of the early entry into force and effective implementation of the Agreement;
- 3. Calls upon all States and other entities referred to in article 1, paragraph 2 (b), of the Agreement that have not done so to ratify or accede to it and to consider applying it provisionally;
- 4. Also calls upon States to ensure that any declarations or statements that they have made or make when signing, ratifying or acceding to the Agreement are consistent with articles 42 and 43 of the Agreement;
- 5. Takes note with concern that many commercially important straddling fish stocks and highly migratory fish stocks have been subject to heavy and little-regulated fishing efforts and that some stocks continue to be overfished:
- 6. Welcomes the fact that a growing number of States and other entities, as well as regional and subregional fishery management organizations and arrangements, have adopted legislation, established regulations or taken other measures to implement the provisions in the Agreement, and urges them to enforce those measures fully,
- 7. Calls upon States and other entities and regional and subregional fishery management organizations and arrangements that have not done so to consider taking measures to implement the provisions of the Agreement;
- Urges States, relevant specialized agencies, international organizations, intergovernmental bodies and non-governmental organizations that have not yet done so

to provide information to the Secretary-General to ensure as comprehensive a report as possible;

- 9. Requests the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its fifty-fourth session and biennially thereafter on further developments relating to the conservation and management of straddling fish stocks and highly migratory fish stocks, including the status and implementation of the Agreement, taking into account information provided by States, relevant specialized agencies, in particular the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, and other appropriate organs, organizations and programmes of the United Nations system, regional and subregional organizations and arrangements for the conservation and management of straddling fish stocks and highly migratory fish stocks, as well as other relevant intergovernmental bodies and nongovernmental organizations;
- 10. Also requests the Secretary-General to ensure that reporting on all major fishery-related activities and instruments is effectively coordinated and duplication of activities and reporting minimized, and that relevant scientific and technical studies are disseminated to the international community, and invites the relevant specialized agencies, including the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, as well as regional and subregional fishery organizations and arrangements, to cooperate with the Secretary-General to that end;
- 11. Decides to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-fourth session, under an item entitled "Oceans and law of the sea", the sub-item entitled "Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks".

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4. Resolution 52/29 - Large-scale pelagic drift-net fishing; unauthorized fishing in zones of national jurisdiction and on the high seas; fisheries by-catch and discards; and other developments

The General Assembly,

Reaffirming its resolutions 46/215 of 20 December 1991, 49/116 and 49/118 of 19 December 1994 as well as other relevant resolutions.

Reaffirming also its resolution 51/36 of 9 December 1996 on large-scale pelagic drift-net fishing and its impact on the living marine resources of the world's oceans and seas, unauthorized fishing in zones of national jurisdiction and its impact on the living marine resources of the world's oceans and seas, and fisheries by-catch and discards and their impact on the sustainable use of the world's living marine resources.

Conscious of the need to promote and facilitate international cooperation, especially at the regional and subregional levels, in order to ensure the sustainable development and use of the living marine resources of the world's oceans and seas, consistent with the present resolution.

Mindfulhat the Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks 1/ provides in its general principles that States shall minimize pollution, waste, discards, catch by lost or abandoned gear, catch of non-target species, both fish and non-fish species, and impacts on associated or dependent species, in particular endangered species, through measures including, to the extent practicable, the development and use of selective, environmentally safe and cost-effective fishing gear and techniques, and further provides that States shall take measures, including the establishment of regulations, to ensure that vessels flying their flags do not conduct unauthorized fishing within areas under the national jurisdiction of other States,

Recallingthe provisions of article 5 of the Agreement, which sets out the general principles to which States are committed in order to conserve and manage such stocks,

Noting that the Code of Conduct for Responsible Fisheries, adopted by the Conference of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations on 31 October 1995, sets out principles and global standards of behaviour for responsible practices to conserve, manage and develop fisheries, including guidelines for fishing on the high seas and in areas under the national jurisdiction of other States, and on fishing gear selectivity and practices, with the aim of reducing by-catch and discards,

Expressing deep concern at the detrimental impact of unauthorized fishing in areas under national jurisdiction, where the overwhelming proportion of the global fish catch is harvested, on the sustainable development of the world's fishery resources and on the food security and economies of many States, particularly developing States,

Reaffirming once again the rights and duties of coastal States to ensure proper conservation and management measures with respect to the living resources in areas under their national jurisdiction, in accordance with international law as reflected in the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea,2/

Recalling that Agenda 21,3/ adopted by the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development, calls upon States to take effective action, consistent with international law, to deter reflagging of vessels by their nationals as a means of avoiding compliance with applicable conservation and management rules for fishing vessels on the high seas,

Recognizing the importance of the Agreement to Promote Compliance with International Conservation and Management Measures by Fishing Vessels on the High Seas, adopted by the Conference of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations in

²¹ Official Records of the Third United Nations Conference on the Law of the Sea, vol. XVII (United Nations publication, Sales No E. 84 V.3), document A/CONF 62/122.

^{3/} Report of the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development, Rio de Janeiro, 3-14 June 1992 (United Nations publication, Sales No E 93 I 8 and corrigenda), vol I: Resolutions Adopted by the Conference, resolution 1, annex II

November 1993, to the conservation and management of fisheries resources on the high seas,

Taking note of the report of the Secretary-General on large-scale pelagic drift-net fishing and its impact on the living marine resources of the world's oceans and seas, unauthorized fishing in zones of national jurisdiction and its impact on the living marine resources of the world's oceans and seas, and fisheries by-catch and discards and their impact on the sustainable use of the world's living marine resources,4/

Taking note also of the initiatives undertaken in the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations relating to the incidental catch of seabirds, the conservation and management of sharks and the management of fishing capacity,

Acknowledging with appreciation the measures taken and the progress made by members of the international community, international organizations and regional economic integration organizations to implement and support the objectives of resolution 46/215,

Recognizing the efforts that international organizations and members of the international community have made to reduce by-catch and discards in fishing operations,

Once again expressing deep concern that there are continuing reports of activities inconsistent with the terms of resolution 46/215 and unauthorized fishing inconsistent with the terms of resolution 49/116,

- 1. Reaffirms the importance it attaches to compliance with its resolution 46/215, in particular to those provisions of the resolution calling for full implementation of a global moratorium on all large-scale pelagic drift-net fishing on the high seas of the world's oceans and seas, including enclosed seas and semi-enclosed seas;
- 2. Notes that a growing number of States and other entities as well as relevant regional and subregional fisheries management organizations and arrangements have adopted legislation, established regulations or

applied other measures to ensure compliance with resolutions 46/215, 49/116 and 51/36, and urges them to enforce fully such measures;

- 3. Urges all authorities of members of the international community that have not done so to take greater enforcement responsibility to ensure full compliance with resolution 46/215 and to impose appropriate sanctions, consistent with their obligations under international law, against acts contrary to the terms of that resolution:
- 4. Calls upon States to take the responsibility, consistent with their obligations under international law as reflected in the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea² and resolution 49/116, to take measures to ensure that no fishing vessels entitled to fly their national flags fish in areas under the national jurisdiction of other States unless duly authorized by the competent authorities of the coastal State or States concerned, and that such authorized fishing operations should be carried out in accordance with the conditions set out in the authorization;
- 5. Notes the obligations of States outlined in Parts IV and V of the Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks¹ regarding non-members and non-participants and duties of flag States respectively;
- 6. Calls upon States and other entities referred to in article 10, paragraph 1, of the Agreement to Promote Compliance with International Conservation and Management Measures by Fishing Vessels on the High Seas that have not done so to accept the Agreement;
- 7. Notes that no party to the Agreement to Promote Compliance with International Conservation and Management Measures by Fishing Vessels on the High Seas shall allow any fishing vessel entitled to fly its flag to be used for fishing on the high seas unless it has been authorized to do so by the appropriate authority or authorities of that party, and that a fishing vessel so authorized shall fish in accordance with the conditions set out in the authorization;

- 8. Welcomes initiatives undertaken in the Food and Agricultural Organization of the United Nations to organize an expert consultation to develop and propose guidelines leading to a plan of action aiming at a reduction in the incidental catch of sea birds, to organize an expert consultation to develop and propose guidelines leading to a plan of action for the conservation and effective management of shark populations and to hold a technical consultation on the management of fishing capacity to draft guidelines for the control and management of fishing capacities;
- 9. Urges States, relevant international organizations and regional and subregional fisheries management organizations and arrangements to take action to adopt policies, apply measures, including through assistance to developing countries, collect and exchange data and develop techniques to reduce by-catches, fish discards and post-harvest losses consistent with international law and relevant international instruments, including the Code of Conduct for Responsible Fisheries;
- 10. Reiterates its call on development assistance organizations to make it a high priority to support, including through financial and/or technical assistance, efforts of developing coastal States, in particular the least developed countries and the small island developing States, to improve the monitoring and control of fishing activities and the enforcement of fishing regulations, including through financial and technical support for regional and subregional meetings for this purpose;
- 11. Requests the Secretary-General to bring the present resolution to the attention of all members of the international community, relevant intergovernmental organizations, the organizations and bodies of the United Nations system, regional and subregional fisheries management organizations and relevant non-governmental organizations, and invites them to provide the Secretary-General with information relevant to the implementation of the present resolution;
- 12. Also requests the Secretary-General to ensure that reporting on all major fisheries-related activities and instruments is effectively coordinated and duplication of activities and reporting minimized and that relevant scientific and technical studies are disseminated to the international community, and invites the relevant specialized agencies, including the Food and Agriculture

Organization of the United Nations, as well as regional and subregional fisheries organizations and arrangements, to cooperate with the Secretary-General to that end;

- 13. Further requests the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its fifty-third session and biennially thereafter a report on further developments relating to the implementation of resolutions 46/215. 49/116, 49/118, the status and implementation of the Agreement to Promote Compliance with International Conservation and Management Measures by Fishing Vessels on the High Seas and efforts undertaken in the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations referred to in paragraph 8 of the present resolution, taking into account the information provided by States, relevant specialized agencies, in particular the Food and Agriculture Organization, and other appropriate organs, organizations and programmes of the United Nations system, regional and subregional organizations and arrangements and other relevant intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations:
- 14. Decides to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-third session, under the item entitled "Oceans and law of the sea", a sub-item entitled "Large-scale pelagic drift-net fishing; unauthorized fishing in zones of national jurisdiction and on the high seas; fisheries by-catch and discards; and other developments".

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II. INFORMATION ON ACTIVITIES UNDERTAKEN BY THE DIVISION FOR OCEAN AFFAIRS AND THE LAW OF THE SEA

- A. Obligations of deposit and due publicity
- Communications addressed to the States Parties for the purpose of assisting them to comply with their deposit and due publicity obligations under the Convention
- 1. Under articles 16 (2), 47 (9), 75 (2) and 84 (2) of the Convention, a coastal State is to deposit with the Secretary-General its charts or lists of geographical coordinates for the drawing of straight baselines and archipelagic baselines and those showing the outer limits of the territorial sea and the exclusive economic zone. Similarly, under article 76 (9), coastal States are required to deposit with the Secretary-General charts and relevant information, including geodetic data, permanently describing the outer limits of their continental shelf. The Secretary-General is required to give due publicity to all these charts and lists of geographical coordinates. In order to carry out the functions entrusted to the Secretary-General, the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea of the Office of Legal Affairs, as the responsible substantive unit of the Secretariat, has established facilities for the custody of charts and lists of geographical coordinates deposited. The Division has also adopted a system for their recording and publicity: an internal computerized "data record" summarizes the information contained in the charts submitted.
- 2. The Division further assists States with their other obligations in regard to due publicity as established by the Convention. These obligations concern, inter alia, navigation: all laws and regulations adopted by the coastal State relating to innocent passage through the territorial sea (article 21 (3)); all laws and regulations adopted by States bordering straits relating to transit passage through straits used for international navigation (article 42 (3)); and the designation of sea lanes and prescription of traffic separation schemes, and their substitution, in the territorial sea and straits used for international navigation (articles 22 (4) and 41 (6)), as well as the designation of sea lanes through and air routes over archipelagic waters and the prescription of traffic separation schemes, and their substitution (article 53 (7) and (10)). The obligations of

- due publicity regarding sea lanes and traffic separation schemes is discharged in cooperation with the International Maritime Organization (IMO).
- 3. Accordingly, upon a State becoming a State Party to the Convention, the Division informs the State concerned of the deposit and due publicity obligations pursuant to the Convention with which that State must comply.
- 4. During the period between September 1997 and March 1998, the Division transmitted the following notes verbales to the States Parties indicated, recalling their deposit and due publicity obligations and offering its assistance with a view to ensuring compliance:
 - (a) Notes verbales MZ/SP/37 to MZ/SP/39, addressed to Benin, Portugal and South Africa, respectively, requesting the submission of charts or lists of geographical coordinates of baselines and various maritime limits pursuant to articles 16(2), 47(9), 75(2), 84(2) and 76(9);
 - (b) Notes verbales TS/IP/SP/37 to TS/IP/SP/39, addressed to Benin, Portugal and South Africa, respectively, requesting the submission of laws and regulations relating to innocent passage through the territorial sea pursuant to article 21(3);
- 5. Samples of the above-mentioned notes verbales may be found, mutatis mutandis, in Annex II.

2. Maritime Zone Notifications

- 6. "Maritime Zone Notifications" are circulated to States Parties in order to give due publicity to deposited charts and lists of geographical coordinates. From September 1997 to March 1998, the Division has circulated no maritime zone notifications.
- 7. In this connection, it should be noted that lists of previousely deposited geographical coordinates as well as any charts may be consulted at the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs, United Nations Secretariat. (See also Annex I Recapitulative information on action taken by States Parties to implement the Convention)

III. INFORMATION ON ACTION TAKEN BY STATES PARTIES TO IMPLEMENT THE CONVENTION

- A. <u>Submissions by States Parties in compliance with</u> their due publicity/deposit obligations
- 8. From September 1997 to March 1998, no State Party has deposited with the Secretary-General charts or lists of geographical coordinates relating to maritime zones.
- 9. During the same periond, the following State Party has submitted to the Legal Counsel, in compliance with its due publicity obligation, copies of its laws or regulations: Pakistan. (For details, see Annex I Recapitulative information on action taken by States Parties to implement the Convention)

ANNEX I

RECAPITULATIVE INFORMATION ON ACTION TAKEN BY STATES PARTIES TO IMPLEMENT THE CONVENTION

State Party	Due publicity to / deposit of (as specified)	relevant article(s) of the	Maritime Zone Notifica		Acts / Charts / Coordinates /	
	Convention		No.	see LOSIC No.	Treaties published in	
Argenlina	Deposit of charts (straight baselines and outer limits of the EEZ) and lists of geographical coordinates (straight baselines) as contained in Act 23,968 on the Maritime Spaces of 10 September 1991	16(2); 75(2)	M.Z.N. 10. 1996. LOS of 16 September 1996	4		
	1881 Boundary Treaty (Argentina and Chile) 1984 Treaty of Peace and Friendship (Argentina and Chile)	42(3)			 SP <u>1</u> /, p. 169	
Australia	Chart: Sea tanes and traffic separation schemes in the Bass Strait Oil Fields on the south coast (Victoria)	22(4): 41(6)	M.Z.N. 3. 1996, LOS of 5 March 1996	3		
China	Deposit of lists of geographical coordinates as contained in the Declaration on the Baselines of the Territorial Sea of the People's Republic of China of 15 May 1996	16(2)	M.Z.N. 7. 1996, LOS of 5 July 1996	4	Law of the Sea Bulletin No. 32	
Costa Rica	Deposit of a chart showing the limits of the exclusive economic zone in the Pacific Ocean	75(2)	M.Z.N. 13. 1996, LOS of 27 January 1997	5		
Сургия	Confirmation that the list of geographical coordinates and chart (straight baselines) previously submitted were still valid and deposit thereof	16(2)	M.Z.N. 6. 1996. LOS of 30 June 1996	4	SP IV 2/, p. 41	
Finland	Deposit of a map (provisional) and of a list of geographical coordinates (straight baselines; outer limits of the territorial sea)	16(2)	M.Z.N. 8. 1996, LOS of 21 July 1996	4	Law of the Sea Bulletin No. 29	
Managing Managing Andreas and Andreas	Deposit of charts showing the straight baselines and the outer limits of the territorial sea of Finland, and the median line separating the continental shelf and fishery zones of Finland from the continental shelves and exclusive economic zones of Estonia and Sweden Note: There are no traffic separation schemes in the territorial sea. Note: The provisions of the Convention concerning innocent passage through the territorial sea have been incorporated in the internal legislation of Finland. There are no other laws or decrees concerning innocent passage. Note: The passage in the strait between the Aland Islands and Sweden (Ahvenancauma) is regulated in part by a long-standing international convention in force, the regime of innocent passage in the strait has remained unchanged after the entry into force of the Convention.	16(2); 75(2); 84(2)	M.Z.N. 15. 1996, LOS of 30 September 1996	6		

^{1/} The Law of the Sea: Current Developments in State Practice (United Nations publication, Sales, No. E.87.V.3)

^{2/} The Law of the Sea: Current Developments in State Practice IV (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.95.V.10 No.IV)

State Party	Due publicity to / deposit of (as specified)	relevant article(s) of the	Maritime Zone Notifica	Ication	Acts / Charts / Coordinates /
		Convention	No.	see LOSIC No.	Treaties published in
Germany	Deposit of charts and geographical coordinates on the territorial sea and the exclusive economic zone in the Baltic Sea and in the North Sea as contained in: - Announcement of the Proclamation by the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany concerning the extension of the breadth of the German territorial sea of 11 November 1994; and - Proclamation by the Federal Republic of Germany concerning the establishment of an exclusive economic zone of the Federal Republic of Germany in the North Sea and in the Baltic Sea of 25 November 1994	16(2); 75(2)	M.Z.N. 1.1995,LOS of 8 March 1995	1	Law of the Sea Bulletin No. 27
	Sea lanes and traffic separation schemes in the southwestern part of the Baltic Sea- Straits ("Belte") and the Sound ("Sund") - and in the North Sea - German Bay	22(4); 41(6)	M.Z.N. 4. 1996. LOS of 25 March 1996	3	-
ltaly	Deposit of various charts and geographical coordinates, as contained in: - Presidential Decree nº 830 of 22 May 1969; - Decree of the President of the Republic nº 816 of 26 April 1977; - Law nº 347 of 3 June 1978; - Law nº 348 of 3 June 1978; - Law nº 107 of 2 March 1987 (published in Regular Supplement to the G.U. 70 of 25 March 1987); - Law nº 59 of 11 February 1989; - Law nº 147 of 12 April 1995 (published in Regular Supplement to the G.U. 99 of 29 April 1995); - Law 290 of 23 May 1980 (published in Regular Supplement to the G.U. 181 of 3 July 1980);	15(2); 84(2)	M.Z.N. 5. 1996, LOS of 19 April 1996	3	BL 34, p. 201
	Laws and regulations applicable to innocent passage through the territorial sea and to transit passage through straits used for international navigation; namely: - Art. 83 of the Navigation Code; - Lew 16 June 1912 (in Official Gazette of the Italian Republic of 27 June 1912, nº 151); - Royal Decree 24 August 1933, nº 2423 (in Official Gazette of the Italian Republic of 22 May 1934, nº 130); - Decree of the Minister of Merchant Marine of 8 May 1985 relating to the Strait of Messina (in Official Gazette of the Italian Republic of 11 May 1985, nº 110); - Decree of the Minister of Merchant Marine of 26 February 1993 relating to the Straits of Boniface (in Official Gazette of the Italian Republic of 2 March 1993, nº 50);	21(3); 42(3);			 SP IV <u>2</u> /, p. 69
Jamaica	Deposit of lists of geographical coordinates (archipelagic basepoints)	47(9)	M.Z.N. 11, 1996, LOS of 16 October 1996	5	Law of the Sea Bulletin No. 32
Japan	Deposit of charts showing the straight baselines for measuring the breadth of the territorial sea, and the outer limits of the territorial sea	16(2)	M.Z.N. 14, 1997, LOS of 6 June 1997	6	Law of the Sea Bulletin No. 35
Marshall Islands	Information regarding Air Routes above the Marshall Islands archipelagic waters	53(10)			

State Party	Due publicity to / deposit of las specified)	relevant article(s) of the	Maritime Zone Notifica	Maritime Zone Notification	
		Convention	No.	see LOSIC No.	Acts / Charts / Coordinates / Treaties published in
Myanmar	Deposit of a chart showing its straight baselines and the list of geographical coordinates of points, as contained in the Territorial Sea and Maritime Zones Law (Pythu Hluttaw Law n° 3 of 1977)	16(2)	M.Z.N. 12, 1996, LOS of 27 January 1997	5	BL 3/, p.64
	Law applicable to innocent passage through the territorial sea (Territorial Sea and Maritime Zones Law (Pyithu Hiutlaw Law n° 3 of 1977))	21(3)			TS 4/, p. 230
Namibia	Note: Namibia has not adopted or enacted legistation relating to the innocent passage through the territorial sea, neither sea lanes or traffic separation schemes have been established	21(3): 22(4)			
Norway	Deposit of charts (outer limits of the continental shelf and the exclusive economic zone) and confirmation (deposit) of lists of geographical coordinates (straight baselines), as contained in: - Royal Decree of 12 July 1935, relating to the Baselines for the Norwegian Fishery Zone as regards that part of Norway which is situated to the north of 66°28'8 N Latitude; - Royal Decree of 18 July 1952 relating to the Baseline for the Norwegian Fishery Zone as regards that part of Norway which is situated to the south of 66°28'8 N Latitude; - Crown Prince Regent's Decree of 30 June 1955; and - Royal Decree of 25 September 1970 concerning the Delimitation of the Territorial Waters of Parts of Svalbard.	16(2); 75(2); 84(2)	M.Z.N. 9. 1996. LOS of 25 August 1996	4	BL 3/, p. 235 Ibid., p. 237 Ibid., p. 242 Ibid., p. 244
Oman	Charts (sea lanes and traffic separation schemes in the Strait of Hormuz, from Masirah to the Strait of Hormuz and in the Sultanate of Oman)	22(4); 41(6)	M.Z.N. 2. 1996, LOS of 20 February 1996	2	
Pakistan	Exclusive Fishery Zone (Regulation of Fishery) Act 1975; Territorial waters and Maritime Zone Act 1976; Exclusive Fishery Zone (Regulation of Fishery) Rules 1978 as amended in 1990; Territorial waters and Maritime Zone (Amendment) Act 1997 which amends the Territorial Waters and Maritime Zones Act 1976;	21(3)		***************************************	TS <u>4</u> /. p.256; EEZ <u>5</u> /, p.263
Romania	Deposit of the list of geographical coordinates of points for the drawing of straight baselines and a chart showing its straight baselines and the outer limit of its territorial sea	16(2)	M.Z.N. 15, 1997, LOS of 7 August 1997	6	Law of the Sea Bulletin No. 19
Saint Lucia	Laws (excerpts) applicable to innocent passage through the territorial sea: - The Shipping Act no 10 of 1994 (Section 237 "Foreign ships in Saint Lucian waters); - The Maritime Areas Act no 6 of 1984 (Section 16 "Innocent passage"); - The Saint Lucia Air and Sea Ports Authority Act no 10 of 1987, 1983; Section 76 "Damage property likely to endanger life"; - The Saint Lucia Air and Sea Ports Authority (Seaports) Regulation no 92 of 1985; - Regulation 77 "Submarine cables".	21(3)	-		TS 4/, p.318

The Law of the Sea: National Legislation on Territorial Sea, the Right of Innocent Passage and the Contiguous Zone (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.95.V.7)

^{5/} The Law of the Sea: National Legislation on the Exclusive Economic Zone (United Nations Publication, Sales No. E.93.V.10)

ANNEX II

DUPLICATES OF NOTES VERBALES RELATING TO DEPOSIT AND DUE PUBLICITY

MZ/SP/39

The Secretary-General of the United Nations presents his compliments to the Permanent Representative of South Africa to the United Nations and has the honour to refer to the entry into force, for South Africa, of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea, on 22 January 1998, in accordance with its article 308(2).

In this connection, it is recalled that under articles 16(2), 75(2) and 84(2) of the Convention, "due publicity" is to be given to charts or lists of geographical coordinates of baselines and various maritime limits and copy of each such chart or list is to be deposited with the Secretary-General.

It is further recalled that the General Assembly, in operative paragraph 15(f) of resolution 49/28 on the law of the sea, requested the Secretary-General to carry out a number of functions consequent upon the entry into force of the Convention, in particular, by:

"(f) Establishing appropriate facilities, as required by the Convention, for the deposit by States of maps, charts and geographic coordinates concerning national maritime zones and establishing a system for their recording and publicity as part of an integrated programme on the law of the sea and ocean affairs, distinct from the usual depositary functions of the Secretary-General;"

The Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea of the Office of Legal Affairs, as the responsible substantive unit of the Secretariat, has established facilities for the deposit of such charts and lists of geographical coordinates and adopted a system for their recording and publicity in keeping with the abovementioned articles of the Convention, as requested in said General Assembly resolution.

Consequently, in compliance with the terms of the Convention, South Africa, as a State Party, is invited to submit to the Legal Counsel one copy (1) of its charts

and/or lists of geographical coordinates, specifying the geodetic datum.

However, for administrative purposes, it would be appreciated if South Africa were to submit, on the one hand, two (2) additional copies of the charts concerned and, on the other hand, if available, the charts in a digital format compatible with a geographic information system (GIS) such as ArcView or ARC/INFO, and the relevant legislation including the lists of geographical coordinates in electronic format.

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The Secretary-General of the United Nations presents his compliments to the Permanent Representative of South Africa to the United Nations and has the honour to refer to the entry into force, for South Africa, of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea, on 22 January 1998, in accordance with its article 308(2).

In this connection, it is recalled that pursuant to article 21(3) of the Convention, coastal States Parties shall give due publicity to all laws and regulations they may adopt, in conformity with the provisions of the Convention and other rules of international law, on innocent passage through the territorial sea and in respect of any of the following:

- "(a) the safety of navigation and the regulation of maritime traffic:
- (b) the protection of navigational aids and facilities and other facilities or installations;
 - (c) the protection of cables and pipelines;
- (d) the conservation of the living resources of the sea:
- (e) the prevention of infringement of the fisheries laws and regulations of the coastal State;
- (f) the preservation of the environment of the coastal State and the prevention, reduction and control of pollution thereof;

- (g) marine scientific research and hydrographic surveys;
- (h) the prevention of infringement of the customs, fiscal, immigration or sanitary laws and regulations of the coastal State."

The Secretary-General avails himself of this opportunity to inform South Africa, as a coastal State Party to the Convention, that the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea of the Office of Legal Affairs, as the responsible substantive unit of the Secretariat, is willing to assist it with its obligations of due publicity in compliance with the Convention.

Consequently, in keeping with article 21(3) of the Convention, South Africa is invited to submit to the Legal Counsel one (1) copy of the above-mentioned laws and regulations that it may have adopted relating to innocent passage through its territorial sea.

For administrative purposes, it would be appreciated if these laws and regulations were submitted, if possible, in electronic format

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ANNEX III

LISTS OF CONCILIATORS, ARBITRATORS AND EXPERTS

1. List of conciliators and arbitrators nominated under article 2 of annexes V and VII of the Convention

State Party	Nominations	Date of deposit of notification with the Secretary-General
Czech Republic	Dr. Vladimir Kopal, Conciliator and Arbitrator	18 December 1996
France	Prof. Daniel Bardonnet, Arbitrator Prof. Pierre-Marie Dupuy, Arbitrator Prof. Jean-Pierre Queneudec, Arbitrator Prof. Laurent Lucchini, Arbitrator	4 February 1998
Germany	Dr. (Ms.) Renate Platzoeder, Arbitrator	25 March 1996
Netherlands	Ellen Hey, Arbitrator Prof. Alfred H.A. Soons Arbitrator Adriaan Bos, Arbitrator	6 February 1998
Russian Federation	Vladimir S. Kotliar, Arbitrator Vladimir N. Trofimov, Arbitrator	27 May 1997
	Prof. Kamil A. Bekyashev, Arbitrator	4 March 1998
Sri Lanka	Hon. M. S. Azlz, P.C., Conciliator and Arbitrator S. Sivarasan, P.C., Conciliator and Arbitrator (Prof.) Dr. C. F.Amerasinghe, Conciliator and Arbitrator A. R. Perera, Conciliator and Arbitrator	17 January 1996
Sudan	Sayed/Shawgi Hussain, Arbitrator Dr. Ahmed Elmufti, Arbitrator Dr. Abd Elrahman Eikhalifa. Conciliator Sayed/Eltahir Hamadalla, Conciliator	8 September 1995
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	Prof. Christopher Greenwood, Arbitrator Prof. Elihu Lauterpacht, Arbitrator Sir Arthur Watts, Arbitrator	19 February 1998

2. List of experts for the purposes of article 2 of Annex VIII (Special Arbitration) of the Convention

Article 2 of Annex VIII reads as follows:

"Article 2 Lists of experts

A list of experts shall be established and maintained in respect of each of the fields of

(1) fisheries, (2) protection and preservation of the marine environment, (3) marine scientific research, and (4) navigation, including pollution from vessels and by dumping.

2. The lists of experts shall be drawn up and maintained, in the field of fisheries by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, in the field of protection and preservation of the marine environment by the United Nations Environment Programme, in the field of marine scientific research by the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission, in the field of navigation, including pollution from vessels and by dumping, by the International Maritime Organization, or in each case by the appropriate subsidiary body concerned to which such organization, programme or commission has delegated this function.

3 Every State Party shall be entitled to nominate two experts in each field whose competence in the legal cointific or technique constants.

the legal, scientific or technical aspects of such field is established and generally recognized and who enjoy the highest reputation for fairness and integrity. The names of the persons so nominated in each field shall

constitute the appropriate list.

If at any time the experts nominated by a State Party in the list so constituted shall be fewer

than two, that State Party shall be entitled to make further nominations as necessary

The name of an expert shall remain on the list until withdrawn by the State Party which made the nomination, provided that such expert shall continue to serve on any special arbitral tribunal to which that expert has been appointed until the completion of the proceedings before that special arbitral tribunal."

(a) List of experts in the field of fisheries maintained by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (communicated on 17 March 1998)

State Party	Nominations
Bahrain	Mr. Jasem Ahmed Al-Kasir, Director, Fish Resources Department Mr. Ibrahim A. Abdel Kader, Fisheries Expert Mr. A. Habib Ridha, Expert in Census
Cyprus	Andreas Demetropoulos, Director of Fisheries Department Emillos Economou, Senior Officer, Department of Fisheries
Czech Republic	Prof. Vladimir Kopal, Professor of Law, Charles University, Prague
Egypt	Dr. Hussein Kamal Badawi, Head, Marine and Fisheries Institute Dr. M. Amin Ibrahim, Head, Fisheries Department Dr. Khamis Abdel Hamld Hussein, Head, Fish Seeds Lab. Dr. Ahmed Fawzi Alquarashill, Head, Fisheries Economy Lab. Dr. Abdou Abdallah Alwayes, Head, Nets and Fishing Methods Lab.
Iraq	Mohamed Mahmud Halwas, Engineer, Director, Development Fish Resources Division Daud Salman Daud, University Degree (Marine), Development Fish Resources Division
Uganda	Dr. Faustino L. Orach-Meza, Commissioner for Fisheries, Fisheries Department, Entebbe Prof. John Okedi, Makerere University, Department of Zoology & Fisheries, Kampala
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	Dr, Robin Cook, Fisheries Research Services, Scottish Office, Agriculture, Environment and Fisheries Department

State Party	Nominations
Uruguay	Prof. Guillermo Arena

(b) List of experts in the field of protection and preservation of the marine environment to be drawn up and maintained by the United Nations Environment Programme

No list has been communicated to this date.

(c) <u>List of experts in the field of marine scientific research maintained by</u> the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission of UNESCO (communicated on 12 August 1997)

State Party	Nominations
Argentina	Vicealmirante Alfredo Yung Capitán (R) Osvaldo P. Astiz Dirección de Límites Ministerio de Relaciones Exteriores Conesa 977 (1426), Buenos Aires Capitán de Fragata Luis Vila Sección Protección Ambiental Departamento de Intereses Marítimos de la Armada
Brazil	Luiz Phillipe da Costa Fernandes Vice-Admiral (R) Mr. Luiz Roberto Silva Martins UFRGS - Universidade Federal do Rio grande do Sul CECO - Centro de Estudoes de Geologia Costerra e Oceanica Campus do Vale - Predio 43/125 Av. Bento Goncalves 9500 91.541-970 Porto Alegne KS Tel: 55-51-3166396 Fax: 55-51-3365011
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State Party	Nominations
Cameroon	Dr. Floack Jean Chargé de recherche et Chef Centre de Recherches Halieutiques et Océanographiques (CRHO) Ministère de la Recherche Scientifique et Technique PMB 77, Limbe c/o Fax: 237-420312/332227 Tlx: 5952 KN
	Mr. Angwe Ayamara Collins c/o Dr Floack Jean Chargé de recherche et Chef Centre de Recherches Halieutiques et Océanographiques (CRHO) Ministère de la Recherche Scientifique et Technique PMB 77, Limbe c/o Fax: 237-420312/332227 Tlx: 5952 KN
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State Party	Nominations
Colombia	J. Jairo Escobar Ramirez Asesor de esta Comisión Profesor Titular de la Universidad del Valle, Calí Calle 137A No 52A-35 Apto 203 Bloque 1, Rincón de Iberia Santafe de Bogotá Tel: 571-2266475
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Czech Republic	Prof. Vladimír Kopal Charles University, Prague
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State Party	Nominations
Gabon	Monsieur Louis-Gabriel PAMBO Océanologue Géologiste, Directeur des Pêches Direction des Pêches Maritimes et des Cultures Marines Ministère de la Marine Marchande et de la Pêche Libreville
Georgia	Prof. A. Kiknadze Department of Geography Tbilisi State University Georgia, 380028, Tbilisi av.J. Chauchauadze 1 Tel: 22-6-57 Fax: (995-32) 22-11-03 Prof. G. Metrevell Department of Geography Tbilisi State University Georgia, 380028, Tbilisi av.J. Chauchauadze 1 Tel: 64-85-17 Fax: (995-32) 22-11-03
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