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on 10 December 1982**

Receipt of the partial Submission made by France in respect of  
French Polynesia to the Commission on the Limits of the  
Continental Shelf

The Secretary-General of the United Nations communicates the following:

On 6 April 2018, the French Republic submitted to the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf, in accordance with Article 76, paragraph 8, of the Convention, information on the limits of the continental shelf beyond 200 nautical miles from the baselines from which the breadth of its territorial sea is measured in respect of French Polynesia.

It is noted that the Convention entered into force for France on 11 May 1996. It is also noted that on 8 May 2009 the French Republic submitted preliminary information on the limits of the continental shelf in respect of French Polynesia as well as Wallis and Futuna Islands, pursuant to the Decision regarding the workload of the Commission *on the Limits of the Continental Shelf and the ability of States, particularly developing States, to fulfil the requirements of article 4 of annex II to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea*, as well as the decision contained in SPLOS/72, paragraph (a), adopted by the eighteenth Meeting of States Parties to the Convention (SPLOS/183).

According to the submitting State, this is a partial submission.

In accordance with the Rules of Procedure of the Commission, the present communication is being 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 Submission, including all charts and coordinates contained therein. The executive summary of the Submission is available on the website of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs, at: [www.un.org/Depts/los](http://www.un.org/Depts/los).

The consideration of the partial Submission made by France in respect of French Polynesia will be included in the provisional agenda of the forty-seventh session of the Commission to be held in New York from 16 July to 31 August 2018.

Upon completion of the consideration of the Submission, the Commission will issue recommendations pursuant to Article 76 of the Convention.

