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The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Indonesia to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Secretariat of the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf, and has the honor to bring to the latter's attention, communication from the Government of the Republic of Indonesia as follows:

- 1. The Government of Republic of Indonesia hereby refers to circular document CLCS.67.2013.LOS (Continental Shelf Notification) of 4th September 2013 concerning Receipt of the submission made by the Federated States of Micronesia to the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf (CLCS) and document CLCS/83 of 31st March 2014 concerning Progress of work in the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf, particularly paragraph 85 which stipulated the statement made by the Representative of the Federated States of Micronesia as follows: "[r]ecalled the area of the continental shelf included in the submission was not the subject of any dispute and that no notes verbales had been received from other States."
- 2. The Government of Republic of Indonesia has the honor to state that the aforementioned statement is contrary to the Preliminary Information of the Federated States of Micronesia for the Eauripik Rise and Mussau Ridge Areas received by the CLCS on 5th May 2009, particularly paragraph 6 which states, "The Federated States of Micronesia also notes that several maritime delimitations remain outstanding between it and opposite and adjacent coastal States. Pursuant to Article 76, paragraph 10 and Article 9 of Annex II to the Convention, this preliminary information is submitted without prejudice to these delimitations and to any other maritime delimitation between the Federated States of Micronesia and any other coastal State" and the Executive Summary of the Submission by the Federated States of Micronesia to the CLCS concerning the Eauripik Rise of September 2011 in particular paragraph 7-3 which stipulated that "[t]he Federated States of Micronesia further confirms that the entire submission is submitted and should be considered without prejudice to any potential delimitation of maritime boundaries with neighboring coastal States."
- 3. With regard to the Indonesian submission on the outer limit of the continental shelf beyond 200 nautical miles, the Republic of Indonesia has the honour to refer to document CLCS/62 of 20th April 2009 paragraph 40, which stated that the submission, which covered the area of North West of Sumatra, was the first partial submission made by Indonesia, adding that submissions in respect of the area of the South of Sumba and North of Papua (Eauripik Rise) would be made at a later stage. The said statement [is] also stipulated in the Executive Summary of the Continental Shelf Submission of Indonesia; Partial Submission in respect of the area of North West of Sumatra of 2008.
- 4. Pending 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 in respect of the area of the North of Papua (Eauripik Rise), which will be submitted by the Republic of Indonesia to the CLCS in due course, the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Indonesia has further the honor to register that the Government of the Republic of Indonesia reserves its right to state its position that there is indeed a strong potential overlapping claim

- over the extended continental shelf between the Republic of Indonesia and Federated States of Micronesia as well as the Independent State of Papua New Guinea in the area of the North of Papua (Eauripik Rise).
- 5. The Government of the Republic of Indonesia therefore requests the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf to consider the Federated States of Micronesia's submission for an extended continental shelf in respect of the Eauripik Rise in accordance with the Rules and Procedure of the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf particularly Rule 46 and paragraph 5 of Annex I concerning submissions in case of a dispute between States with opposite or adjacent coasts or in other cases of unresolved land or maritime disputes. The Federated States of Micronesia's submission for an extended continental shelf in respect of the Eauripik Rise should be considered without prejudice to any potential delimitation of the extended continental shelf between the Republic of Indonesia and the Federated States of Micronesia.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Indonesia has further the honor to request the assistance of the Secretariat of the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf to circulate this Note among the members of the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf, as well as Member States of the United Nations.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Indonesia to the United Nations avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Secretariat of the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf the assurances of its highest consideration.

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