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The United States Mission to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea (“DOALOS”) and, referring to its communication CLCS.92.2022.LOS of April 25, 2022 concerning receipt of the submission made by the Federated States of Micronesia to the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf (“Submission”), has the honor to submit the following observations by the Government of the United States.

The United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea, including its Annex II, and the Rules of Procedure of the Commission, in particular Annex I thereto, provide that the actions of the Commission shall not prejudice matters relating to delimitation of boundaries between States with opposite or adjacent coasts.

The United States has taken note of the potential for overlap between areas of continental shelf extending beyond 200 nautical miles (M) from the Federated States of Micronesia and areas of continental shelf extending beyond 200 M from United States territory.

With reference to the Executive Summary of the Submission, the Government of the United States confirms that it does not object to the Federated States of Micronesia’s request that the Commission consider the data and other material in the Submission and make its recommendation on the basis of this information, to the extent that such recommendations are

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without prejudice to the establishment of the outer limits of the continental shelf by the United States of America, or to any delimitation of the continental shelf between the Federated States of Micronesia and the United States of America in areas beyond 200 M.

The United States Mission to the United Nations avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea the assurances of its high consideration.



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