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The Permanent Mission of Canada to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and, with reference to the preliminary information filed by the French Republic on May 8, 2009, in relation to Saint-Pierre and Miquelon, has the honour to convey the following:

The Government of Canada rejects any claims by the French Republic to any maritime area, including any areas of continental shelf, beyond the area awarded to the French Republic by the Court of Arbitration in the *Case concerning the Delimitation of Maritime Areas between Canada and the French Republic* (10 June 1992). Consistent with the 1992 decision, the *United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea* and principles of international law, a claim by the French Republic to an area of extended continental shelf off of Saint-Pierre and Miquelon cannot arise.

The Government of Canada reserves the right to make additional comments in relation to the preliminary information or any other information, document or submission that the French Republic may subsequently file with the Secretary-General in relation to Saint-Pierre and Miquelon.

The Permanent Mission respectfully requests this note be registered, circulated and published, as appropriate.

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

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