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Excellency,

On 10 and 11 December 2012, the General Assembly will commemorate the thirtieth anniversary of the opening for signature of the 1982 United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (the “Convention”) in a plenary meeting.

On that occasion, the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs, intends to present each participant with a small commemorative publication containing personal reflections of those who participated in the negotiations which led to the adoption of the Convention in 1982 as well as those who have worked in the areas closely related to the Convention in the years following the adoption.

Knowing of the involvement of your State in the development of the Convention, we would like to invite one (or two) of your delegates to the meetings of the Third United Nations Conference on the Law of the Sea, or someone who has been or is now closely working in the law of the sea to send us their thoughts, memories of the meetings, reflections, ideas about the future of the Convention and celebratory remarks on the occasion of the 30th anniversary, in the form of a letter of 400 – 800 words (up to two pages), preferably in English or French, or if not possible, in any of the other official UN languages, prior to 1 March 2012.

For ease of reference, please find attached herewith the non-exhaustive list of personalities who were remembered at the commemoration of the twentieth anniversary.

The letter may be sent on paper to the address below or by email to doalos@un.org; rosenboom@un.org.

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Ms. Rosenboom may also be contacted, should there be any questions.

Provided that sufficient submissions have been received, these would be bundled in a publication. We would send a copy of the booklet, following the commemoration on 10 and 11 December 2012, to those submitting a letter.

We are grateful for your assistance in sharing these thoughts and recollections with us and look forward to receiving the letter(s).

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.



Patricia O'Brien
Under-Secretary-General for Legal Affairs
The Legal Counsel

ANNEXES

A. Personalities of the Third United Nations Conference on the Law of the Sea remembered at the commemoration

Andrés Aguilar (Venezuela)	Keith Brennan (Australia)
Slobodan Alfirević (Croatia)	Hortencio Brilliantes (Philippines)
Hamilton Shirley Amerasinghe (Sri Lanka)	Peter Brückner (Denmark)
Hans G. Andersen (Iceland)	Lucius Caflisch (Switzerland)
David Anderson (United Kingdom)	Carlos Calero-Rodrigues (Brazil)
Ib R. Andreasen (Denmark)	Jorge Castañeda (Mexico)
Alfonso Arias-Schreiber (Peru)	Claude Chayet (France)
John S. Bailey (Australia)	Amadou Cissé (Senegal)
Juan Miguel Bakula (Peru)	Thomas A. Clingan (United States)
Lennox Ballah (Trinidad and Tobago)	Charles Manyang d'Awol (Sudan)
Peter D. Barabolya (Russian Federation)	H. G. Darwin (United Kingdom)
Mohamed Bedjaoui (Algeria)	Manuel Primo de Brito Limpo Serra (Portugal)
Christopher. D. Beeby (New Zealand)	Hasjim Djalal (Indonesia)
J. Alan Beesley (Canada)	Jean-François Dobelle (France)
Mohamed Bennouna (Morocco)	Rachid Driss (Tunisia)
Adriaan Bos (Netherlands)	R. Jean Dupuy (France)
K. K. Breckenridge (Sri Lanka)	Antonius Eitel (Germany)
	Mohamed Mustapha El Gharbi (Morocco)
	Paul Bamela Engo (Cameroon)
	Jose Espinosa (Philippines)

Jens Evensen (Norway)
 P.N. Evseev (Russian Federation)
 Antoine Fattal (Lebanon)
 Gil Fernandes (Guinea-Bissau)
 Carl-August Fleischhauer (Germany)
 Masato Fujisaki (Japan)
 Reynaldo Galindo Pohl (El Salvador)
 Ivan F. Glumov (Russian Federation)
 Günter Goerner (Germany)
 Wojciech Góralczyk (Poland)
 Ernesto de la Guardia (Argentina)
 Ramiro Saraiva Guerreiro (Brazil)
 Elsa Kelly de Guibourg (Argentina)
 Gerhard Hafner (Austria)
 Kari Hakapää (Finland)
 Theodore Halkiopoulos (Greece)
 Mohammad Al-Haj Hamoud (Iraq)
 Ralph Harry (Australia)
 Abdel Majid A. Hassan (Sudan)
 F. M. Hayes (Ireland)
 Asterius M. Hyera (United Republic of Tanzania)
 Vladimir Ibler (Croatia)
 Jorge E. Illueca (Panama)
 Georgy G. Ivanov (Russian Federation)
 Roger Jackling (United Kingdom)
 Andreas Jacovides (Cyprus)
 Guenther Jaenicke (Germany)
 S. P. Jagota (India)
 Roger Jeannel (France)
 Tomoyoshi Kamenaga (Japan)
 James Kateka (United Republic of Tanzania)
 Yuri B. Kazmin (Russian Federation)
 Allan Kirton (Jamaica)
 Valeri S. Kniazev (Russian Federation)
 Karl Hermann Knoke (Germany)
 Tommy T.B. Koh (Singapore)
 Igor Kolosovsky (Russian Federation)
 Vladimír Kopal (Czech Republic)
 Abdul G. Koroma (Sierra Leone)
 F. N. Kovalev (Russian Federation)
 Semen Kozirev (Russian Federation)
 Richard Král (Czech Republic)
 Mochtar Kusumaatmadja (Indonesia)

Guy de Lacharrière (France)	Satya N. Nandan (Fiji)
José Manuel Lacleta Muñoz (Spain)	Ni Zhengyu (China)
Paul André Lapointe (Canada)	Francis X Njenga (Kenya)
Elihu Lauterpacht (United Kingdom/Australia)	Shigeru Oda (Japan)
L. H. Legault (Canada)	Motoo Ogiso (Japan)
Gisler K. Libaba (United Republic of Tanzania)	Francisco Orrego Vicuña (Chile)
Julio César Lupinacci (Uruguay)	Bernard H. Oxman (United States)
Lev L. Lyubimov (Russian Federation)	Arvid Pardo (Malta)
Alexander L. Makovski (Russian Federation)	José Antonio Pastor Ridruejo (Spain)
Elisabeth Mann Borgese (Austria)	Zvonko Perišić (Yugoslavia)
E.J. Mann (Finland)	Christopher W. Pinto (Sri Lanka)
William R. Mansfield (New Zealand)	Pedro Pinto (Portugal)
Vicente Marotta Rangel (Brazil)	Zdeněk Pisk (Czech Republic)
Mohamed Mouldi Marsit (Tunisia)	Luis G. Preval Páez (Cuba)
M. McKeown (Australia)	José Luís Rodrigues Portero (Portugal)
Alexander P. Metelnikov (Russian Federation)	Árpád Prandler (Hungary)
Cornel A. Metternich (Germany)	Blaise Rabetafika (Madagascar)
Jamshid Momtaz (Iran)	Leigh S. Ratiner (USA)
Jean Monnier (Switzerland)	Kenneth Rattray (Jamaica)
John Norton Moore (United States)	Elliot L. Richardson (United States)
H.C. Mott (Australia)	Willem Riphagen (Netherlands)
Toru Nakagawa (Japan)	Patrick Robinson (Jamaica)
	Inocencio Ronquillo (Philippines)
	Shabtai Rosenne (Israel)
	Holger Rotkirch (Finland)
	Mario Ruivo (Portugal)

Louis B. Sohn (United States)	Charles Vella (Malta)
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Manuel Tello (Mexico)	Harry Wuensche (Germany)
Malcolm J.C. Templeton (New Zealand)	Igor I. Yakovlev (Russian Federation)
Hisayoshi Terai (Japan)	Soji Yamamoto (Japan)
Sérgio Martins Thompson-Flores (Brazil)	Alejandro D. Yango (Philippines)
Tullio Treves (Italy)	Alexander Yankov (Bulgaria)
Helmut Tuerk (Austria)	Victor A. Yarmolyuk (Russian Federation)
Necmettin Tuncel (Turkey)	Mustafa Kamil Yasseen (United Arab Emirates)
Luis Valencia Rodríguez (Ecuador)	José Antonio Yturriaga Barberán (Spain)
José Luis Vallarta (Mexico)	Fernando Zegers (Chile)
Alfred van der Essen (Belgium)	Hongzeng Zhang (China)
Nicolo Varvesi (Italy)	

Former members of the secretariat of the United Nations Conference on the Law of the Sea: Bernardo Zuleta (Colombia), Hugo Caminos (Argentina), Gritakumar E. Chitty (Sri Lanka), David L.D. Hall (Australia), Jean-Pierre Lévy (France), L. Dolliver M. Nelson (Grenada), Felipe Paolillo (Uruguay), Ismat Steiner (United Republic of Tanzania).