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The Permanent Mission of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan to the United Nations in New York presents its compliments to the Executive Office of the Secretary-General of the United Nations and has the honour to refer to the Submission made by Pakistan regarding the outer limits of its Continental Shelf submitted to the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf (CLCS) on April 30, 2009, and to the "Preliminary Information" regarding the Outer Limits of the Continental Shelf of the Sultanate of Oman submitted to the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf by Oman on April 15, 2009.

Pursuant to the bilateral discussions on the subject held in Muscat on May 21, 2012, the Islamic Republic of Pakistan acknowledges the rights of the Sultanate of Oman under international law in respect of its Continental Shelf, and recognizes that the area included in Pakistan's submission may overlap with the area of the Continental Shelf contained in Oman's "Preliminary Information" and its future continental shelf submission. The overlapping area, if any, shall be subject to the delimitation of a Continental Shelf boundary between Pakistan and Oman, to be resolved bilaterally.

Without prejudice to future delimitation or any Continental Shelf Submission to be made by Oman, the "Potential Maritime Boundaries" in the Arabian Sea published in Pakistan's Submission were ascertained unilaterally, and may, therefore be subject to future delimitation.

Consistent with Article 76, paragraph 10, of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea, the Islamic Republic of Pakistan confirms that its submission has been made without prejudice to any future Submission to be made by Oman or to any eventual future delimitation of the Continental Shelf between Pakistan and Oman that may be required.

The Permanent Mission of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan to the United Nations avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Executive Officer of the Secretary-General of the United Nations, the assurances of its highest consideration.

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