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**Letter dated 4 October 2024 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the
Permanent Mission of Oman to the United Nations addressed to
the Secretary-General**

I have the honour to refer to the letter dated 24 January 2024 from the Permanent Representative of the United Arab Emirates and the note verbale annexed thereto from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the United Arab Emirates addressed to you concerning the application of the straight baseline system to the coasts of the United Arab Emirates ([A/78/736](#)).

On the instructions of my Government, I have the honour to transmit herewith a note verbale from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Sultanate of Oman in response to the content of the above-mentioned letter (see annex).

I should be grateful if the present letter and its annex could be circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under agenda item 75 (a).

(Signed) **Khalid Al Rubkhi**
Deputy Permanent Representative
Chargé d'affaires a.i.

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**Annex to the letter dated 4 October 2024 from the Chargé d'affaires
a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Oman to the United Nations
addressed to the Secretary-General**

[Original: Arabic]

**Note Verbale dated 1 October 2024 from the Ministry of Foreign
Affairs of the Sultanate of Oman addressed to the Secretary-General**

The Sultanate of Oman has the honour to refer to the note verbale from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the United Arab Emirates addressed to the Secretary-General annexed to the letter dated 24 January 2024 from the Permanent Representative of the United Arab Emirates to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General concerning the application of the straight baseline system to its coasts ([A/78/736](#)).

The Sultanate of Oman reiterates what it stated in the letter dated 11 January 2023 from the Permanent Representative of Oman to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General ([A/77/705](#)) and the letter dated 4 December 2022 from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Oman addressed to the Secretary-General annexed thereto. It regards the Emirati note verbale as devoid of any valid legal arguments. It should be noted that the Border Agreement between the Sultanate of Oman and the United Arab Emirates concerning the Boundary Sectors from Eastern Uqaidat to Darah was signed on 22 June 2002, and not on 22 June 2022, as stated in the aforementioned Emirati note verbale.

Oman considers the present document to be an official document and requests that the Secretariat take the necessary steps to circulate it to the delegations of Member States in accordance with established procedures.
