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Receipt of the partial Submission made by Canada to the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf regarding its continental shelf in the Arctic Ocean

The Secretary-General of the United Nations communicates the following:

On 23 May 2019, Canada submitted to the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf, in accordance with article 76, paragraph 8, of the Convention, information on the limits of its continental shelf beyond 200 nautical miles from the baselines from which the breadth of its territorial sea is measured in the Arctic Ocean.

It is noted that the Convention entered into force for Canada on 7 December 2003. It is also noted that, on 6 December 2013, Canada had submitted preliminary information regarding its continental shelf in the Arctic Ocean pursuant to the *Decision regarding the workload of the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf and the ability of States, particularly developing States, to fulfill the requirements of article 4 of annex II to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea, as well as the decision contained in SPLOS/72, paragraph (a)*, adopted by the eighteenth Meeting of States Parties to the Convention (SPLOS/183).

According to Canada, this is a partial submission.

In accordance with the rules of procedure of the Commission, the present communication is being circulated to all Member States of the United Nations, as well as States Parties to the Convention, in order to make public the executive summary of the partial Submission, including all illustrative maps and coordinates contained therein. The executive summary of the Submission is available on the website of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs, at: www.un.org/Depts/los.

The consideration of the partial Submission made by Canada will be included in the provisional agenda of the fifty-second session of the Commission, to be held in New York between January and March 2020.

Upon completion of the consideration of the Submission, the Commission will issue recommendations pursuant to article 76 of the Convention.

