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**concluded at Montego Bay, Jamaica
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United States of America: Notification regarding the submission made by the

United States of America to the Commission on the Limits and Delimitation of the Continental Shelf, 10 July 1999



The Government of the United States of America wishes to stress the importance of promoting
the provisions of Article 76 of the

... 111 ... Organization was first published in 2000 and is periodically

-- Canadian seismic reflection and refraction data indicate that the eastern part of the Alpha-Mendelev Ridge System is underlain by unusually homogeneous crust with moderate to high seismic velocities that resemble those measured in the oceanic Iceland-Faroe Ridge of the North Atlantic and the oceanic Manihiki Volcanic Plateau of the Central Pacific Ocean. In addition, these rocks are directly overlain by thin-bedded sedimentary rocks with low seismic velocities that are only 100 to 500 meters thick. Piston cores show that these sediments are pelagic deposits of fine-grained material through the water column. They are typical of

recommendations of the Commission must be based on a high degree of confidence that they will withstand the test of time. If the Commission is unsure, it should not make a recommendation but should announce that it needs further data, analysis and debate. If a State has doubts, it should perhaps make a partial submission, leaving further amplification to a later submission.

In the aforementioned scientific respects there are substantial differences between the Russian [redacted] and the relevant scientific community on the other hand

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