The Permanent Mission wishes further to reaffirm that, consistent with article 76, paragraph 10, of the Convention, the New Zealand submission has been made without prejudice to the eventual delimitation of boundaries between New Zealand and Tonga and without prejudice to Tonga's right to make its own submission to the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf pursuant to article 76, paragraph 8, of the Convention. The Permanent Mission accordingly welcomes Tonga's confirmation that it has no objection to the Commission considering and making recommendations on the New Zealand submission on that basis.

The Permanent Mission requests that this Note be placed on the website of the Division for Ocean Affairs and Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs of the United Nations.

The New Zealand Permanent Mission to the United Nations takes this opportunity to renew to the Secretary-General of the United Nations the assurances of its highest consideration.

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