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Receipt of the submission made by the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam
to the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf

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

On 7 May 2009, the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam 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 the continental shelf beyond 200 nautical miles from the baselines from which the breadth of the territorial sea is measured in respect of the North Area (VNM-N).

It is noted that the Convention entered into force for Viet Nam on 16 November 1994.

According to the submitting State, this is a partial submission and "the partial submission in respect of Viet Nam's extended continental shelf (North Area (VNM-C)' shall be made later."

In accordance with the Rules of Procedure of the Commission (CLCS/40/Rev.1), the present communication is 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 charts and coordinates contained in that summary. The executive summary of the partial submission is available through 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 Viet Nam will be included in the provisional agenda of the twenty-fourth session of the Commission to be held in New York from 10 August to 11 September 2009.

Upon completion of the consideration of the submission, the Commission shall make recommendations pursuant to Article 76 of the Convention.