UNITED NATIONS CONVENTION ON THE LAW OF THE SEA
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AUSTRALIA: NOTIFICATION OF NOMINATION OF ARBITRATORS UNDER ARTICLE 2 OF ANNEX VII OF THE CONVENTION

The Secretary-General of the United Nations, acting in his capacity as depositary, communicates the following:

On 19 August 1999, the Government of Australia notified the Secretary-General of the following nomination of arbitrators for the purposes of article 2 of annex VII of the above Convention:

(Original: English)

"Sir Gerard Brennan AC KBE, formerly a Judge of the High Court of Australia (1981-1998) and Chief Justice of Australia (1995-1998), is a distinguished Australian lawyer with expertise in international law;

Mr. Henry Burmester QC, Chief General Counsel for the Australian Government Solicitor, was formerly Head of the Office of International Law in the Attorney-General's Department for a number of years. He has significant expertise and qualifications in international law, particularly in the law of the sea;

Professor Ivan Shearer AM, Challis Professor of International Law at Sydney University, specialises in the law of the sea, on which he has published extensively, and is a member of the Permanent Court of Arbitration in The Hague.

All of these nominees "enjoy the highest reputation for fairness, competence and integrity" required by Article 2 (1) of Annex VII and have indicated their willingness to serve in the relevant capacity."

28 September 1999

Attention: Treaty Services of Ministries of Foreign Affairs and of international organizations concerned.