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ALGERIA: DECLARATIONS UNDER ARTICLES 287 AND 298¹

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

The above action was effected on 22 May 2018.

(Original: English)

"Declaration under Article 287 of the UNCLOS

Pursuant to Article 287, paragraph 1 of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea, the Government of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria hereby declares that it chooses the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea as a means for the settlement of disputes concerning the interpretation or application of the Convention.

Declaration under Article 298 of the UNCLOS

In accordance with the provisions of Article 298 of the Convention on the Law of the Sea, the Government of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria does not accept any of the procedures provided for in Part XV, section 2, with respect to the following disputes:

- (a) (i) disputes concerning the interpretation or application of articles 15, 74 and 83 relating to sea boundary delimitations, or those involving historic bays or titles, provided that a State having made such a declaration shall, when such a dispute arises subsequent to the entry into force of this Convention and where no agreement within a reasonable period of time is reached in negotiations between the parties, at the request of any party to the dispute, accept submission of the matter to conciliation under Annex V, section 2; and provided further that any dispute that necessarily involves the concurrent consideration of any unsettled dispute concerning sovereignty or other rights over continental or insular land territory shall be excluded from such submission;
 - (ii) after the conciliation commission has presented its report, which shall state the reasons on which it is based, the parties shall negotiate an agreement on the basis of that report; if these negotiations do not result in an agreement, the parties shall, by mutual consent, submit the question to one of the procedures provided for in section 2, unless the parties otherwise agree;

¹ Refer to depositary notification C.N.197.1996.TREATIES-8/6 of 8 August 1996 (Ratification: Algeria).

- (iii) this subparagraph does not apply to any sea boundary dispute finally settled by an arrangement between the parties, or to any such dispute which is to be settled in accordance with a bilateral or multilateral agreement binding upon those parties;
- (b) Disputes concerning military activities, including military activities by government vessels and aircraft engaged in non-commercial service, and disputes concerning law enforcement activities in regard to the exercise of sovereign rights or jurisdiction excluded from the jurisdiction of a court or tribunal under article 297, paragraph 2 or 3;
- (c) Disputes in respect of which the Security Council of the United Nations is exercising the functions assigned to it by the Charter of the United Nations, unless the Security Council decides to remove the matter from its agenda or calls upon the parties to settle it by the means provided for in this Convention."

22 May 2018