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

The above action was effected on 27 May 2019.

The Protocol will enter into force for Palau on 26 June 2019 in accordance with its article 18 (2) which reads as follows:

“For each State or regional economic integration organization ratifying, accepting, approving or acceding to this Protocol after the deposit of the fortieth instrument of such action, this Protocol shall enter into force on the thirtieth day after the date of deposit by such State or organization of the relevant instrument or on the date this Protocol enters into force pursuant to paragraph 1 of this article, whichever is the later.”

28 May 2019