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<u>Deposit by the Federal Republic of Somalia of a list of geographical coordinates of points,</u> pursuant to article 16, paragraph 2 and article 75, paragraph 2 of the Convention

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

On 30 June 2014, the Government of the Federal Republic of Somalia deposited with the Secretary-General, pursuant to article 16, paragraph 2¹ and article 75, paragraph 2² of the Convention, a list of geographical coordinates of points, which, inter alia, define the limits of the Exclusive Economic Zone of the Federal Republic of Somalia.

The coordinates are referenced to the World Geodetic System 1984 (WGS84).

The list of geographical coordinates of points has been posted on the website of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs, at:

www.un.org/Depts/los. It will also be published in the next issue of the Law of the Sea

¹ Art. 16(2) of UNCLOS reads as follows:

Article16: Charts and lists of geographical coordinates

- 1. The baselines for measuring the breadth of the territorial sea determined in accordance with articles 7, 9 and 10, or the limits derived therefrom, and the lines of delimitation drawn in accordance with articles 12 and 15 shall be shown on charts of a scale or scales adequate for ascertaining their position. Alternatively, a list of geographical coordinates of points, specifying the geodetic datum, may be substituted.
- 2. The coastal State shall give due publicity to such charts or lists of geographical coordinates and shall deposit a copy of each such chart or list with the Secretary-General of the United Nations.

Article75: Charts and lists of geographical coordinates

- 1. Subject to this Part, the outer limit lines of the exclusive economic zone and the lines of delimitation drawn in accordance with article 74 shall be shown on charts of a scale or scales adequate for ascertaining their position. Where appropriate, lists of geographical coordinates of points, specifying the geodetic datum, may be substituted for such outer limit lines or lines of delimitation.
- 2. The coastal State shall give due publicity to such charts or lists of geographical coordinates and shall deposit a copy of each such chart or list with the Secretary-General of the United Nations.

Pages 37 to 39 of the list of geographical points of the 'outer limits of the EEZ' relate to the Republic of Somaliland seas. Details of the Somaliland Foreign Ministry's protest note to the UN can be found at the press dated 7 August 2014 at the Ministry's website at this link.

² Art. 75(2) of UNCLOS reads