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The Office of Legal Affairs of the United Nations presents its compliments to the Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation to the United Nations and has the honour to acknowledge receipt of the latter's Note Verbale No. 975/n dated 19 March 2018, requesting information concerning a Note Verbale dated 11 November 1992, by which the Permanent Mission of Ukraine to the United Nations had transmitted a list of geographical coordinates of points defining the baselines for measuring the breadth of the territorial sea, exclusive economic zone and continental shelf of the Sea of Azov.

The Office of Legal Affairs recalls that the list of geographical coordinates of points is available on the website of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs, at: <http://www.un.org/depts/los/LEGISLATIONANDTREATIES/STATETERILES/UKR.htm> and in the issue 36 of the *Law of the Sea Bulletin*, p. 51 (the *Bulletin* is available online at: http://www.un.org/depts/los/doalos_publications/doalos_publications.htm). In this connection, the Office of Legal Affairs notes that the 1992 Note Verbale predates the entry into force of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea. The list of geographical coordinates of points transmitted by Ukraine, therefore, was not circulated through a Maritime Zone Notification to all Member States and States Parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea, as is the practice for deposits of charts and geographical coordinates of points made by States parties following the entry into force of the Convention.

The Office of Legal Affairs notes that no Notes Verbales were received in response to the Note Verbale from Ukraine.

The Office of Legal Affairs of the United Nations avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation to the United Nations the assurances of its highest consideration.

