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Madam Chairman/Mr Chairman,

Excellencies,

Ladies and Gentleman,

Sea-

level rise in relation to international law".

Consequently, it is the position of the European Union and its member states,

Teachers' Unions are well aware of the need to change.

Resort of the International Commission Germany attaches great importance to this
highly important and decisive role in Gloucester Bay. The Commission invited the State to
individually and jointly to submit their views. The views were submitted, and additional

Chairs of the Study

would like to congratulate the Co-Chairmen Niels G. Jøra and M. Madga Amatorescu, preparation, in particular, for one of the additional paper to the first issues paper which

~~law of the sea~~, where related issues we explained our interpretation of the relevant UNCLOS provisions, the obligation of the Contracting States to determine the outer limits of maritime zones, once they have been duly established and communicated to the Convention, and the scope of the ILC Report to include the application of Coastal State's jurisdiction and other ship polluters to waters of geographical coordinate

We are pleased to note that there seems to be an ever increasing number of States who share this view, as highlighted in paras. 141 and 142 of the ILC Report, and that no

while some States have made express commitments not to challenge baselines and outer

our view that there is no obligation to review and update them in the first place.

We understand that Chairs have stressed the importance of the role of the ILC in the law of continental territories which has not been in 2021 an issue potentially unrelated to topics and commit to continue to contribute to this important work. As regards the law we believe that the principle of "legal stability" should equally apply to all the sea aspects, we b lines new climate measures derived from states and relevant international agreements and 3 UNCLOS, level rise.

determined in accordance with the provisions of the Conventions applicable to other land territories continental land territory. It seems to their baselines and maritime zones derived from follow from a contemporary reading and interpretation of the Convention that they also undergo a gradual change in their outer limits and may need further minor readjustments to

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highly unstable due to the presence of "a delta and other natural conditions". The legal [REDACTED] or a contemporary interpretation of the Convention that leaves open the possibility of concluding in certain areas affected by climate change induced sea level rise, including low [REDACTED]

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To conclude, it is considered that all law of the sea related questions in connection with sea law and its principles and methods of procedure should be determined by reference to the Convention and its intents and purposes, rather than through the interpretation of the Convention and its intents and purposes, rather than through the

be reflected locally and in [REDACTED] – e.g. through a set of conclusions, an interpretative declaration or resolution – [REDACTED]

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to these important discussions. We will continue to engage with partners, international organizations and academic institutions, to further contribute to and promote the

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The root cause of sea level rise, the human induced climate change, can only be addressed through international cooperation. A comprehensive ILC. Germany has already submitted an answer to the questions posed in the ILC's report of the 73rd (2022), Chapter III. We | session (2) outlined Germany's position on the following issues:

In a situation in which island states are submerged and their previous territory, obviously no longer exists, we wish to draw the attention of the ILC to the effect of sea level rise. Common environmental protection is committed to under Article 19(1) of the UN Convention on Climate Change. The Convention does not have the same meaning as this convention. Although under an ocean convention, derived mainly from maritime law, it is not directly concerned with the issue of sea level rise, the importance of developing a common understanding to address the future of affected states cannot be overstated.

alities of historical precedents that have some useful elements including a systematic approach
to the present legal and political challenges. A spectrum of viable solutions bear
consideration, from the most liberalized economy to the most restrictive. There are many
middle ground options that can be considered.

Thank you.