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Mexico: draft article 1

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Article I

The States Parties to the present Convention undertake to observe the following principles and to ensure that individuals and legal entities subject to their jurisdiction act in conformity with them:

- 1. To exercise the rights and jurisdictions recognized in the present Convention in such a way that they do not unnecessarily or arbitrarily harm the rights of other States or the interests of the international community as a whole;
- To discharge in good faith the obligations entered into in conformity with the present Convention.

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Article 303 bis

Liberation movements recognized by the United Nations and invited to take part, as observers, in the work of the Third United Nations Conference on the Law of the Sea may accede to the present Convention; liberation movements recognized by the United Nations in the future also have the right to accede thereto.

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Peru: proposal regarding the order of sections in the convention on the law of the sea

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Note: This proposal follows the order of provisions applicable to various zones, starting from the land: the territorial sea and the contiguous zone (including straits connected to the territorial sea), exclusive economic zone, continental shelf and high seas (followed by the provisions applicable to both the exclusive economic zone and the high seas and by the general provisions concerning vessels). The provisions applicable to special cases come next: archipelagic States, régime of islands, enclosed or semi-enclosed seas, right of access of land-locked States to and from the sea, followed by the international sea-bed area and, lastly, the rest of the provisions to be included in the convention.

For Part XIII, relating to the sea-bed and subsoil thereof beyond the limits of national jurisdiction, the title "International sea-bed area" is proposed, to avoid any ambiguity or confusion with other zones of the oceanic space.

Preamble

PART I. Use of terms.

PART II. Territorial sea and contiguous zone.

PART III. Straits used for international navigation.

PART IV. Exclusive economic zone.

PART V. Continental shelf.

Part VI. High seas.

PART VII. Provisions applicable to both the exclusive

economic zone and the high seas.

Part VIII. General provisions concerning vessels.

Part IX. Archipelagic States.
Part X. Régime of islands.

PART XI. Enclosed or semi-enclosed seas.

PART XII. Right of access of land-locked States to and

from the sea and freedom of transit PART XIII. International sea-bed area.

PART XIV. Protection and the preservation of the marine

environment.

PART XV. Marine scientific research.

Part XVI. Development and transfer of marine technol-

ogy.

PART XVII. Settlement of disputes.

PART XVIII. International Commission on the Law of the

Sea.

Part XIX. Final clauses.

ANNEXES