

EMBASSY OF NICARAGUA THE HAGUE

The Hague, 1 June 2017 REF: HOL-EMB-123

Excellency,

I have the honour to refer to the case concerning *Maritime Delimitation in the Caribbean Sea and the Pacific Ocean (Costa Rica v. Nicaragua)* which has been joined with the case concerning the *Land Boundary in the Northern part of Isla Portillos (Costa Rica v. Nicaragua)*, particularly to your letter 148492 transmitting the report prepared by the experts appointed by the Court, as wells as the meeting of the Parties with the President on 16 May 2017 on which organizational issues were discussed.

In that regard, I would like to inform you that at this stage Nicaragua has no written observations to the report prepared by the experts. However, should the need arise, Nicaragua reserves its right to raise any comments during the Oral Proceedings in July.

Finally, Nicaragua wishes to indicate that, unless Costa Rica decides to exercise its right in this respect, it does not foresee the need to examine the experts during the said proceedings.

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

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