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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA: COMMUNICATION 1

The Secretary-General of the United Nations, acting in his capacity as depositary, communicates the following:

The above action was effected on 16 January 2015.

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"The United States Mission to the United Nations presents its compliments to the United Nations and refers to the U.N. Secretary-General's depositary notification C.N.13.2015.TREATIES-XVIII.10, dated January 6, 2015, regarding the purported accession of the 'State of Palestine' to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court, done at Rome July 17, 1998 (the Rome Statute).

The Government of the United States of America does not believe the 'State of Palestine' qualifies as a sovereign State and does not recognize it as such. Accession to the Rome Statute is limited to sovereign States. Therefore, the Government of the United States of America believes that the 'State of Palestine' is not qualified to accede to the Rome Statute."

23 January 2015

Refer to depositary notification C.N.13.2015.TREATIES-XVIII.10 of 6 January 2015 (Accession: State of Palestine).

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