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Dear Mr. UnderSecretary-General,

In response to your letter dated 21 March 2023, I have the honour to refer to activities and measures undertaken by the Black Sea Economic Cooperation Organization (BSEC) as a contribution of BSEC to the Secretary General's report to UN General Assembly in relation to resolution 77/248 of 30 December 2022 on oceans and the law of the sea

For the BSEC Organization the oldest, most representative and institutionally mature economic cooperation organization in the wider Black Sea area maritime issues have been of high importance. BSEC's activities at regional level focused on both developinSupport of both these regional milestone documents remain high in BSEC's agenda.

At the same time, the BSEC Organization has already taken some concrete and project-oriented actions that are mentioned here below:

1) With the support of the Directorate-General for Maritime Affairs and Fisheries of the European Commission, the BSEC PERMIS established the first ever Black

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