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Present: Vice-President WEERAMANTRY, Acting President; President SCHWEBEL; *Judges* ODA, BEDJAOLI, GUILLAUME, RANJEVA, HERCZEGH, SHI, FLEISCHHAUER, KOROMA, VERESHCHETIN, HIGGINS, PARRA-ARANGUREN, KOOIJMANS, REZEK; *Registrar* VALENCIA-OSPINA.

The International Court of Justice,

Composed as above,

After deliberation,

Having regard to Article 48 of the Statute of the Court and to Article 44, paragraph 3, of the Rules of Court,

Having regard to the Order of 10 March 1998, by which the Court directed Iran to submit a Reply and the United States to submit a Rejoinder relating to the claims of both Parties and fixed, respectively, 10 September 1998 and 23 November 1999 as time-limits for the filing of the Reply and the Rejoinder,

Having regard to the Order made by the Vice-President of the Court, Acting President, on 26 May 1998, whereby he extended to 10 December 1998 the time-limit for the filing of the Reply of Iran and to 23 May 2000 the time-limit for the filing of the Rejoinder of the United States;

Whereas, by a letter dated 12 November 1998, the Agent of Iran requested the Court to extend to 10 March 1999 the time-limit for the filing of the Reply and explained the reasons for that request; and whereas, on receipt of that letter, the Registrar, referring to Article 44, paragraph 3, of the Rules of Court, transmitted a copy thereof to the Agent of the United States;

Whereas, by a letter dated 3 December 1998, the Co-Agent of the United States indicated that his Government did not object to the extension of time-limit requested by Iran, provided that the time-limit fixed for the filing of the Rejoinder be extended likewise,

Extends to 10 March 1999 the time-limit for the filing of the Reply of Iran;

Extends to 23 November 2000 the time-limit for the filing of the Rejoinder of the United States; and

Reserves the subsequent procedure for further decision.

Done in English and in French, the English text being authoritative, at the Peace Palace, The Hague, this eighth day of December, one thousand nine hundred and ninety-eight, in three copies, one of which will be placed in the archives of the Court and the others transmitted to the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran and the Government of the United States of America, respectively.

(Signed) Christopher G. WEERAMANTRY,
Vice-President.

(Signed) Eduardo VALENCIA-OSPINA,
Registrar.