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Certain Phosphate Lands in Nauru
(Nauru v. Australia)

Fixing of time-limit

The following information is communicated to the Press by the Registry of the International Court of Justice:

In its Judgment of 26 June 1992 on the Preliminary Objections filed by Australia in the above case, the Court has found that it has jurisdiction to entertain the Application and that the said Application is admissible, and that the claim concerning the overseas assets of the British Phosphate Commissioners, made by Nauru in its Memorial of 20 April 1990, is inadmissible (see Press Communiqué 92/18).

As a time-limit had then to be fixed for the filing of the Counter-Memorial of Australia, the President of the Court, having ascertained the views of the Parties, made an Order dated 29 June 1992 whereby 29 March 1993 was fixed as the time-limit for the Australian Counter-Memorial.

The subsequent procedure has been reserved for further decision.