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Armed Activities on the Territory of the Congo (Democratic Republic of the Congo v. Uganda)

The Court has decided to postpone the public hearings on the question of reparations due to open on 18 November 2019

THE HAGUE, 13 November 2019. The International Court of Justice (ICJ), the principal judicial organ of the United Nations, has decided to postpone the public hearings on the question of reparations in the case concerning Armed Activities on the Territory of the Congo (Democratic Republic of the Congo v. Uganda), which had been due to take place between Monday 18 and Friday 22 November 2019.

The Court made its decision taking into consideration the joint request submitted by the Parties by a letter dated 9 November 2019.

History of the proceedings

The history of the proceedings can be found in the Annual Report of the Court for 2018-2019 (paragraphs 77-87) and in press release No. 2019/38 of 11 September 2019, which are available on the Court's website (www.icj-cij.org).

The International Court of Justice (ICJ) is the principal judicial organ of the United Nations. It was established by the United Nations Charter in June 1945 and began its activities in April 1946. The Court is composed of 15 judges elected for a nine-year term by the General Assembly and the Security Council of the United Nations. The seat of the Court is at the Peace Palace in The Hague (Netherlands). The Court has a twofold role: first, to settle, in accordance with international law, legal disputes submitted to it by States (its judgments have binding force and are without appeal for the parties concerned); and, second, to give advisory opinions on legal questions referred to it by duly authorized United Nations organs and agencies of the system.

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