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Maritime Dispute (Peru v. Chile)

Note to members of the Diplomatic Corps, the press and the public

Closure of the accreditation and admission procedures

THE HAGUE, 23 November 2012. Owing to the renovation of the Great Hall of Justice of the Peace Palace, where the Court usually sits, the public hearings in the case concerning the Maritime Dispute (Peru v. Chile), due to be held from Monday 3 to Friday 14 December 2012, will take place in the auditorium of The Hague Academy of International Law, whose building is adjacent to the Peace Palace.

Members of the Diplomatic Corps, the press and the public are requested to take note of the following points.

1. Seating for members of the Diplomatic Corps

Owing to the limited number of seats available in the auditorium of the Academy of International Law, seats will also be reserved for diplomats in the Historic Reading Room of the Peace Palace Library, where a large screen will be set up. Members of the Diplomatic Corps wishing to attend the hearings are kindly asked to inform the Information Department before midnight on Tuesday 27 November 2012 (The Hague time, CET), by e-mail to confirmation@icj-cij.org. Diplomatic missions are kindly requested to limit their delegations to a maximum of five.

2. Closure of the press accreditation procedure

The online press accreditation procedure, which has been open on the Court's website (under the heading "Calendar") since 14 November 2012, will close at midnight on Tuesday 27 November (The Hague time, CET). Only online application forms will be accepted.

3. Closure of the public admission procedure

The online public admission procedure, which has been open on the Court's website (under the heading "Attending a hearing/sitting") since 14 November 2012, will close at midnight on Tuesday 27 November (The Hague time, CET). Only online application forms will be accepted. Members of the public will be seated in the Historic Reading Room of the Peace Palace Library, where they will be able to follow the hearings on a large screen.

4. Live web streaming of the hearings

The hearings will be broadcast live and in full on the Court's website (under the heading "Multimedia"). These hearings will be broadcast simultaneously in the two official languages of the Court (English and French), as well as in Spanish (non-official translation).

5. Press access

It is recalled that journalists must bring with them their personal ID and press card. Only duly accredited individuals with valid identification will be permitted to enter the Peace Palace grounds. A temporary Press Room will be available. The Peace Palace gates and Press Room will be opened to the press daily one hour before the start of the hearings (for the schedule, see point 10 below). The gates will be closed one hour after the end of the final sitting of the day, at which time members of the press must leave the Peace Palace grounds.

6. Press Room

The Press Room will be equipped with audio-visual facilities (see below), as well as wireless Internet access (Wi-Fi).

Available video feeds (16:9 PAL format): HD-SDI with four-channel sound (original language, French, English and Spanish), SD-SDI with four-channel sound (original language, French, English and Spanish) and analogue (composite). Please note that the Court does not provide an NTSC signal.

Available audio feeds: XLR outputs with four separate channels (original language, French, English and Spanish) and individual infra-red headsets (four separate channels: channel 0 = original language, channel 1 = French, channel 2 = English and channel 3 = Spanish).

7. Satellite vehicles

No parking is allowed in the Peace Palace grounds apart from satellite (SNG) vehicles. Media wishing to park satellite vehicles are requested to complete the appropriate fields in the online accreditation form. The Court's field patch is reserved for those vehicles. Stand-up positions cannot be erected outside the area reserved for that purpose, in front of the Peace Palace.

8. Information available during the hearings

Verbatim records of the hearings will be published daily on the Court's website (with translations to follow as soon as practicable thereafter). On the final day of the oral proceedings, a Press Release will be issued, reproducing the final submissions of the Parties. It should be noted, however, that the Court's Press Releases do not constitute official documents.

It is recalled for the Spanish press, in particular, that informative documents and a film about the Court (in mpeg2 and Flash format) are available, in Spanish, on its website.

9. Press access to the courtroom

Media representatives may attend the hearings in the auditorium, where seats will be reserved for them (on the right hand side of the entrance). However, they are not permitted to leave the courtroom during the hearings or to bring any electronic equipment into the courtroom. Only the taking of photographs will be permitted, for a few minutes at the start of each sitting: photographers and camera crews must keep to the right side of the auditorium.

10. Schedule for the hearings and history of the proceedings

It is recalled that the schedule for the hearings and the history of the proceedings can be found in Press Release No. 2012/15 of 22 March 2012, available on the Court's website.

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