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## Press Release

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### ***Immunities and Criminal Proceedings (Equatorial Guinea v. France)***

#### **The Court to deliver its Judgment on Friday 11 December 2020 at 3 p.m.**

THE HAGUE, 24 November 2020. On Friday 11 December 2020, the International Court of Justice, the principal judicial organ of the United Nations, will deliver its Judgment in the case concerning *Immunities and Criminal Proceedings (Equatorial Guinea v. France)*.

A public sitting of the Court will take place at 3 p.m. at the Peace Palace in The Hague, during which the President of the ICJ, Judge Abdulqawi Ahmed Yusuf, will read out the Court's decision.

In view of the current COVID-19 pandemic, only Members of the Court and representatives of the Parties will be present in the Great Hall of Justice. Members of the diplomatic corps, the media and the public will be able to follow the readings through a live webcast on the Court's website, as well as on UN Web TV.

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#### **History of the proceedings**

The history of proceedings can be found in press releases Nos. 2016/18, 2016/28, 2016/38, 2018/24 and 2020/6, which are available on the Court's website ([www.icj-cij.org](http://www.icj-cij.org)).

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#### **Multimedia**

The sitting will be streamed live and on demand (VOD) in English and in French on the Court's website, as well as on UN Web TV, the United Nations online television channel. High resolution video files (SD/MPEG2 and HD/MPEG4) and still photos produced by the Registry during the reading of the Judgment will be available free of charge, for non-commercial use, on the

Court's website and Twitter feed (@CIJ\_ICJ) at the close of the sitting (to download, click on [www.icj-cij.org/en/multimedia-index](http://www.icj-cij.org/en/multimedia-index)).

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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, through judgments which have binding force and are without appeal for the parties concerned, legal disputes submitted to it by States; 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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