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Present: President YUSUF; Vice-President XUE; Judges TOMKA, ABRAHAM, BENNOUNA, CANÇADO TRINDADE, DONOGHUE, GAJA, SEBUTINDE, BHANDARI, ROBINSON, CRAWFORD, SALAM, IWASAWA; Judges ad hoc POCAR, SKOTNIKOV; Registrar GAUTIER.

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 dated 8 November 2019, whereby the Court fixed 8 December 2020 as the time-limit for the filing of the Counter-Memorial of the Russian Federation, and to the Order dated 13 July 2020, whereby the Court, at the request of the Respondent, extended that time-limit until 8 April 2021;

Whereas, by a letter dated 22 December 2020, the Agent of the Russian Federation, H.E. Mr. Dmitry Lobach, requested the Court to further extend by six months the time-limit for the filing of the Counter-Memorial, i.e. until 8 October 2021, explaining that the restrictions due to the COVID-19 pandemic had continued to create difficulties and related delays in the preparation of that pleading; and whereas, upon receipt of this letter, the Registrar transmitted a copy thereof to the Agent of Ukraine, in accordance with Article 44, paragraph 3, of the Rules of Court;

Whereas, by a letter dated 6 January 2021, the Agent of Ukraine, Mr. Yevhenii Yenin, stated that his Government opposed the request of the Russian Federation for a further extension of the time-limit for the filing of the Counter-Memorial, indicating, *inter alia*, that the Respondent had not adequately explained why it required an additional extension; whereas, according to the Agent, granting this further extension would give the Russian Federation a period of ten months longer than the time afforded to Ukraine to submit its Memorial; and whereas he added that, in the event of the Court acceding to the request of the Russian Federation, any further extension should be as short as possible so as not to prejudice the interests of Ukraine;

Taking into account the views of the Parties,

Extends to 8 July 2021 the time-limit for the filing of the Counter-Memorial of the Russian Federation; and

Reserves the subsequent procedure for further decision.

Done in French and in English, the French text being authoritative, at the Peace Palace, The Hague, this twentieth day of January, two thousand and twenty-one, in three copies, one of which will be placed in the archives of the Court and the others transmitted to the Government of Ukraine and the Government of the Russian Federation, respectively.

(Signed) Abdulqawi Ahmed YUSUF,
President.

(Signed) Philippe GAUTIER,
Registrar.
