

The following information from the Registry of the International Court of Justice has been communicated to the Press.

The International Court of Justice will meet on Monday, September 23rd, 1957 at 4 p.m. in the Peace Palace at The Hague.

The sitting will be the first in the oral hearings in the case of the Right of Passage over Indian Territory brought before the Court on December 22nd, 1955 by Application of the Government of the Portuguese Republic against the Republic of India.

On April 15th, 1957 a document setting out certain Preliminary Objections to the jurisdiction of the Court was filed by the Government of India. The Observations and Submissions of the Portuguese Government in regard to these Objections were filed on August 15th, 1957 and the case has since then, been ready for hearing.

During the coming hearings, the Court will deal with the Preliminary Objections.

The sitting will be devoted first to the installation of the Hon. Mahomed Ali Currim Chagla, Chief Justice of Bombay, and of Dr. Manuel Fernandes, former Director-General of the Ministry of Justice and member of the section for International Relations of the "Câmara Corporativa" (Upper House), who, in accordance with Article 31 of the Statute of the Court, have been designated by the Government of India and the Government of Portugal, respectively, to sit as judges ad hoc in this case.

The Parties will be represented as follows:

The Government of the Republic of India:

Shri B.K. Kapur, Ambassador of India at The Hague,

as Agent,

Shri M.C. Setalvad, Attorney General of India,

The Rt. Hon. Sir Frank Soskice, Q.C., M.P.,  
former Attorney General of England,

Professor C.H.M. Waldock, C.M.G., O.B.E., Q.C.,  
Chichele Professor of Public International Law  
in the University of Oxford,

Professor P. Guggenheim, Professor of International  
Law in the Law Faculty of the University of Geneva  
and of the Graduate Institute of International  
Studies,

Mr. J.G. Le Quesne, Member of the English Bar,

as Counsel,

and

Shri J.M. Mukhi, Legal Adviser in the Ministry of  
External Affairs,

as Assistant Agent and Secretary.

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The Government of the Republic of Portugal:

Dr. João de Barros Ferreira da Fonseca, Ambassador  
Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Portugal at  
The Hague,

as Agent,

Professor Inocêncio Galvão Telles, Director of the Faculty of  
Law of Lisbon, member of the Upper House (Câmara Corporativa),

as Agent, Advocate and Counsel,

M. Maurice Bourquin, Professor at the University of Geneva  
and at the Graduate Institute of International Studies,

as Advocate and Counsel,

Dr. Fernão Vaz Pinto,

as Advocate

M. Pierre Lalive d'Epinay, Professor at the Faculty of Law  
of the University of Geneva,

Dr. Henrique Martins de Carvalho,

Dr. Alexandre Lobato, Secretary of the Centre for Overseas  
Historical Studies,

as Expert Advisers

and

Dr. Carlos Macieira Ary dos Santos, Secretary of the Embassy  
of Portugal at The Hague,

as Secretary.

The Hague, September 20th, 1957.