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Aegean Sea Continental Shelf
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Filing of Memorial by Government of Greece

The following information is communicated to the press by the Registry of the International Court of Justice:

On 18 July 1977, within the time-limit fixed for it by an Order of 18 April last, the Government of Greece filed a Memorial on the question of the jurisdiction of the Court to entertain the dispute.

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It will be recalled that the case was instituted before the Court by the Government of Greece on 10 August 1976, and that the Government of Turkey indicated on 26 August that it considered that the Court had no jurisdiction to entertain it. By an Order of 11 September 1976, the Court declined to indicate certain interim measures requested by the Government of Greece, and decided that the written proceedings should first be addressed to the question of its jurisdiction. The time-limit for the filing of the Memorial, originally fixed for 18 April 1977, was extended to 18 July at the request of the Government of Greece. The time-limit for the filing of a Counter-Memorial by the Government of Turkey is to expire on 24 April 1978.