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**Aerial Incident of 3 July 1988**  
**(Islamic Republic of Iran v. United States of America)**

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

In Press Communiqué No. 91/7 of 5 March 1991 it was explained that following the deposit by the United States of America of preliminary objections to the jurisdiction of the Court in the above case, the proceedings on the merits were suspended and a time-limit had to be fixed for the presentation by the other Party of a written statement of its observations and submissions on the preliminary objections.

By an Order of 9 April 1991, the Court, having taken into account the views of the Parties, fixed 9 December 1991 as the time-limit within which the Islamic Republic of Iran may present such observations and submissions.

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At a public sitting of the Court, held on the same day at 12.00 noon, Mr. Mohsen Aghahosseini, chosen by the Islamic Republic of Iran to sit as judge ad hoc in the case, made the solemn declaration required by Article 20 of the Statute of the Court.