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Passage through the Great Belt  
(Finland v. Denmark)

Progress and conclusion of public hearings

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

The public hearings held by the Court on the request for indication of provisional measures made by Finland in the case concerning Passage through the Great Belt (Finland v. Denmark), which opened on 1 July 1991, were concluded on 5 July 1991.

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During the first round of oral arguments, held on 1 and 2 July, statements were made:

- on behalf of Finland, by H.E. Mr. Tom Grönberg, Agent of Finland; Mr. Martti Koskenniemi, Co-Agent and by Sir Ian Sinclair, Counsel.
- on behalf of Denmark, by H.E. Mr. Tyge Lehmann, Mr. Per Magid and H.E. Mr. Per Fergo, Agents of Denmark; Dr. Eduardo Jiménez de Aréchaga, Mr. Derek W. Bowett and Mr. Niels Jørgen Gimsing, Counsel and Advocates.

The second round took place on 4 and 5 July. The speakers were:

- On behalf of Finland, H.E. Mr. Tom Grönberg, Agent; Sir Ian Sinclair and Professor Tullio Treves, Counsel.
- On behalf of Denmark, H.E. Mr. Tyge Lehmann and Mr. Per Magid, Agents; Mr. Derek Bowett and Mr. Niels Jørgen Gimsing, Counsel and Advocates.

On 4 July Judge Schwebel put two questions to the Agent of Finland and one to the Agent of Denmark; Judge Shahabuddeen put a question to the Agent of Denmark.

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The hearings now being completed, the Court will begin to consider its decision.

The date of the public sitting at which the Order is to be read will be announced in a Press Communiqué.