

INTERNATIONAL TRIBUNAL FOR THE LAW OF THE SEA



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List of cases:
No. 5

THE “CAMOUCO” CASE

(PANAMA *v.* FRANCE)

APPLICATION FOR PROMPT RELEASE

ORDER

The President of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea,

Having regard to article 292 of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (hereinafter “the Convention”),

Having regard to article 112, paragraph 3, of the Rules of the Tribunal,

Having regard to the Application under article 292 of the Convention submitted on behalf of Panama to the Tribunal on 17 January 2000, concerning the release of the vessel *Camouco* and its Master, alleged to have been detained by the authorities of France,

Makes the following Order:

Whereas, pursuant to article 292 of the Convention, the Tribunal shall deal with the Application without delay,

Whereas, pursuant to article 112, paragraph 3, of the Rules of the Tribunal, the Tribunal, or the President if the Tribunal is not sitting, shall fix the earliest possible date, but not exceeding ten days from the date of receipt of the Application, for a hearing,

THE PRESIDENT

Fixes 27 and 28 January 2000 as the dates for the hearing;

Reserves the subsequent procedure for further decision.

Done in English and in French, the English text being authoritative, in the Free and Hanseatic City of Hamburg, this seventeenth day of January, two thousand, in three copies, one of which will be placed in the archives of the Tribunal and the others transmitted to the Government of Panama and to the Government of France, respectively.

(Signed) P. CHANDRASEKHARA RAO,
President.

(Signed) Philippe GAUTIER,
Deputy Registrar.