

INTERNATIONAL TRIBUNAL FOR THE LAW OF THE SEA TRIBUNAL INTERNATIONAL DU DROIT DE LA MER

Press Release

THE "ARA LIBERTAD" CASE (ARGENTINA v. GHANA)

TRIBUNAL TO DELIVER ITS ORDER ON SATURDAY, 15 DECEMBER 2012, AT 3.00 P.M.

The International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea will deliver its Order in the "ARA Libertad" Case (Argentina v. Ghana) on Saturday, 15 December 2012, at 3 p.m. The Order will be read by the President of the Tribunal, Judge Shunji Yanai, at a public sitting in the main courtroom.

The oral proceedings in the "ARA Libertad" Case (Argentina v. Ghana) were held on 29 and 30 November 2012. Argentina, in its final submissions, requested that the Tribunal prescribe the following provisional measure:

that Ghana unconditionally enables the Argentine warship Frigate ARA Libertad to leave the Tema port and the jurisdictional waters of Ghana and to be resupplied to that end,

adding:

Equally Argentina requests that the Tribunal rejects all the submissions made by Ghana.

Ghana, in its final submissions, requested the Tribunal:

- (1) to reject the request for provisional measures filed by Argentina on 14 November 2012; and
- (2) to order Argentina to pay all costs incurred by the Republic of Ghana in connection with this request.

The text of the Order will be available on the website of the Tribunal shortly after its delivery.

Attending the reading of the Order

The Order will be read in the main courtroom of the Tribunal and the reading is open to the public. Members of the diplomatic and consular corps and general public are welcome to attend. They are requested to register in advance.

Accreditation for media representatives

Members of the press are welcome to attend the reading of the Order but are requested to <u>register</u> in advance with the Press Office using the accreditation form that is available on the <u>website</u> of the Tribunal.

Unobtrusive audio and video recording of the public sitting is possible. Filming is subject to special authorization from the Press Office. Facilities are available for radio crews to connect recording equipment directly to the Tribunal's audio system.

Webcast

The reading of the Order will be broadcast <u>live</u> on the Tribunal's website. A recorded webcast of the reading of the Order will be available under <u>Webcast</u> Archives.

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