

**AMENDMENTS TO THE RULES OF THE  
INTERNATIONAL TRIBUNAL FOR THE LAW OF THE SEA  
as adopted by the Tribunal on 17 March 2009**

*The Tribunal,*

*Acting* pursuant to article 16 of the Statute of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea, Annex VI to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea,

*Adopts* the following amendments to the Rules of the Tribunal of 28 October 1997:

(i) Article 113, paragraph 3 shall be amended to read as follows:

“Unless the parties agree otherwise, the Tribunal shall determine whether the bond or other financial security shall be posted with the Registrar or with the detaining State.”

(ii) Article 114, paragraph 1 shall be amended to read as follows:

“If the bond or other financial security has been posted with the Registrar, the detaining State shall be promptly notified thereof.”

(iii) Article 114, paragraph 3 shall be amended to read as follows:

“The bond or other financial security shall be endorsed or transmitted, to the extent that it is not required to satisfy the final judgment, award or decision, to the party at whose request the bond or other financial security is issued.”

*Decides* that these amendments enter into force forthwith.

Done in English and in French, both texts being authoritative, in the Free and Hanseatic City of Hamburg, this seventeenth day of March, two thousand and nine.

*(signed)*  
JOSÉ LUÍS JESUS,  
President

*(signed)*  
PHILIPPE GAUTIER,  
Registrar