Resolution on the Chamber for Marine Environment Disputes

The International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea,

Acting pursuant to article 15, paragraph 1, of its Statute,

Noting that at a meeting on 14 February 1997 the Tribunal formed the Chamber for Marine Environment Disputes as a standing special chamber of the Tribunal,

Noting that it established the terms of reference of the Chamber in its resolution of 28 April 1997,

1. Records that the Chamber is composed of nine members and that, if the number of members able to sit in a given case falls below seven, new members shall be selected by the Tribunal in order to bring the number to seven at least;

2. Records that the quorum required for meetings is seven members;

3. Records that the Chamber will be available to deal with disputes which the parties agree to submit to it concerning the interpretation or application of any provision of:

   (a) the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea concerning the protection and preservation of the marine environment;
(b) special conventions and agreements relating to the protection and preservation of the marine environment referred to in article 237 of the Convention; and

(c) any agreement relating to the protection and preservation of the marine environment which confers jurisdiction on the Tribunal;

4. *Records* that the Tribunal, at a meeting on 4 October 2017, selected the following Members of the Tribunal to serve on the Chamber with immediate effect:

Judges

Judge Ndiaye
Judge Pawlak
Judge Gao
Judge Kelly
Judge Kulyk
Judge Gómez-Robledo
Judge Cabello
Judge Chadha
Judge Lijnzaad

5. *Records* that Judge Pawlak was elected on 5 October 2017 by the members of the Chamber as its President;

6. *Records* that the term of office of the members will end on 30 September 2020.

*Adopted on 5 October 2017*