

INTERNATIONAL TRIBUNAL FOR THE LAW OF THE SEA



YEAR 2025

13 May 2025

THE M/T “HEROIC IDUN” (No. 2) CASE  
(MARSHALL ISLANDS/EQUATORIAL GUINEA)

ORDER

The President of the Special Chamber of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea formed to deal with the above-mentioned case under article 15, paragraph 2, of the Statute of the Tribunal (hereinafter “the Statute”),

Having regard to article 27 of the Statute,

Having regard to articles 31, 45, 69 and 107 of the Rules of the Tribunal,

Having regard to the Orders of the President of the Special Chamber dated 19 May 2023, 16 November 2023 and 25 July 2024,

*Makes the following Order:*

1. Whereas, pursuant to the Order dated 19 May 2023, the President of the Special Chamber fixed 20 November 2023 and 20 May 2024 as the time limits for the filing, respectively, of the Memorial of the Marshall Islands and the Counter-Memorial of Equatorial Guinea;

2. Whereas, pursuant to the Order dated 16 November 2023, the President of the Special Chamber extended the time limit for the submission of the Memorial of the Marshall Islands to 18 December 2023 and for the submission of the Counter-Memorial of Equatorial Guinea to 15 July 2024; and whereas the Memorial and the Counter-Memorial were filed within the prescribed time limits;

3. Whereas, pursuant to the Order dated 25 July 2024, the President of the Special Chamber authorized the submission of a Reply by the Marshall Islands and a Rejoinder by Equatorial Guinea and fixed 25 November 2024, noon (Hamburg time), and 24 March 2025, noon (Hamburg time), as the time limits for the filing of these two documents, respectively; and whereas the Reply and the Rejoinder were filed within the prescribed time limits;

4. Whereas, in light of the views communicated by the Parties with regard to the dates for the hearing, the Registrar noted in a letter dated 19 March 2025, at the request of the President of the Special Chamber, that both Parties had confirmed their availability for a hearing starting on 6 October 2025;

THE PRESIDENT OF THE SPECIAL CHAMBER,

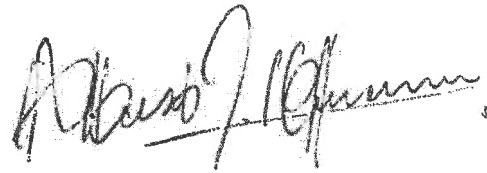
Having ascertained the views of the Parties,

*Fixes* 6 October 2025 as the date for the opening of the oral proceedings; and

*Reserves* the subsequent procedure for further decision.

Done in English and in French, both texts being equally authoritative, in the Free and Hanseatic City of Hamburg, this thirteenth day of May, two thousand and twenty-five, in three copies, one of which will be placed in the archives of the

Tribunal and the others transmitted to the Government of the Marshall Islands and to the Government of Equatorial Guinea, respectively.

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Albert J. HOFFMANN,  
President of the Special Chamber

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Ximena HINRICHS OYARCE,  
Registrar

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