

INTERNATIONAL TRIBUNAL FOR THE LAW OF THE SEA



YEAR 2025

30 October 2025

THE “ZHENG HE” CASE
(LUXEMBOURG v. MEXICO)

ORDER

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

Having regard to article 27 of the Statute of the Tribunal,

Having regard to article 59 of the Rules of the Tribunal,

Having regard to the Orders of the President of the Tribunal of 8 August 2024 and 3 February 2025,

Makes the following Order:

1. Whereas, pursuant to the Order of 8 August 2024, the President of the Tribunal fixed 10 February 2025 and 11 August 2025 as the time limits for the filing, respectively, of the Memorial of Luxembourg and the Counter-Memorial of Mexico;
2. Whereas, pursuant to the Order of 3 February 2025, the President extended to 24 March 2025 and 3 November 2025 the time limits for the filing, respectively, of

the Memorial of Luxembourg and the Counter-Memorial of Mexico; and whereas the Memorial of Luxembourg was filed within the time limit thus extended;

3. Whereas, by a joint letter received by the Registry of the Tribunal on 30 October 2025, the Agent of Luxembourg and the Agent of Mexico stated that “the Parties have agreed to respectfully request the Tribunal for a six-week extension” of the time limit fixed for the submission of the Counter-Memorial of Mexico to 15 December 2025;

4. Whereas, in the same letter, the Agents of the Parties informed the Tribunal that, “following constructive bilateral exchanges, they have formalized a Letter of Understanding through exchange of notes, in order to achieve a complete and definitive solution of the situation of the vessel *Zheng He*”;

5. Being satisfied that there is adequate justification for the request for an extension of the time limit;

THE PRESIDENT

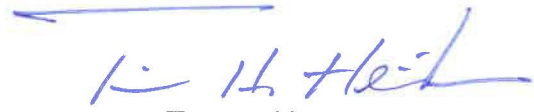
Taking into account the agreement of the Parties,

Extends the time limit for the filing of the Counter-Memorial of Mexico to 15 December 2025;

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 thirtieth day of October, 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 Luxembourg and to the Government of Mexico, respectively.



Tomas HEIDAR
President



Ximena HINRICHS OYARCE
Registrar
