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Press Release

**DISPUTE CONCERNING DELIMITATION OF THE MARITIME BOUNDARY
BETWEEN THE REPUBLIC OF GHANA AND THE REPUBLIC OF CÔTE
D'IVOIRE SUBMITTED TO A SPECIAL CHAMBER OF THE TRIBUNAL**

By Order of 12 January 2015, the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea has formed a Special Chamber to deal with a dispute concerning delimitation of the maritime boundary between the Republic of Ghana and the Republic of Côte d'Ivoire. This Special Chamber consists of Vice-President Bouguetaia (Algeria), Judges Wolfrum (Germany) and Paik (Republic of Korea) and Judges *ad hoc* Thomas Mensah (Ghana) and Ronny Abraham (France). Vice-President Bouguetaia will preside over the Chamber.

During consultations with the President of the Tribunal, Judge Golitsyn, in Hamburg in December 2014, the representatives of the two parties agreed to transfer the dispute – initially submitted to arbitration under Annex VII to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea – to a special chamber of the Tribunal, consisting of three Members of the Tribunal and two Judges *ad hoc*.

The Order of the Tribunal is available on the Tribunal's website. The case has been entered as No. 23 in the List of cases.

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