The International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea held its eleventh regional workshop in Bali, Indonesia, on 27 and 28 August 2015. As in 2014 (the Nairobi workshop), the workshop was preceded by a seminar on “Maritime Delimitation and Fisheries Cooperation”, organized by the Korea Maritime Institute (KMI) and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Indonesia on 26 August. Judge Vladimir Golitsyn, President of the Tribunal, and Judges Paik and Heidar participated as panellists in the sessions of the seminar dealing with dispute settlement on maritime delimitation in international courts and IUU fishing in a global perspective.

The workshop was devoted to “The Role of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea in the Settlement of Disputes relating to the Law of the Sea”, and was organized with the assistance of the Korea Maritime Institute (KMI), and in cooperation with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Indonesia.

Representatives of 14 States from the region attended the workshop, from Cambodia, Cook Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, Fiji, Indonesia, Laos, Philippines, Samoa, Singapore, Solomon Islands, Thailand, East Timor, Tonga and Vietnam.

The workshop was opened by Judge Vladimir Golitsyn, President of the Tribunal, and Mr Sung-Gwi Kim, President of the Korea Maritime Institute. The keynote speech at the
opening session was given by H.E. Retno L.P. Marsudi, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Indonesia.

The objective of the Tribunal’s regional workshops is to familiarize the participants with the mechanism for dispute settlement established by the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea and with the procedure applicable to cases before the Tribunal. The Bali programme included an introduction to the case-law and the procedure for bringing cases before the Tribunal and a session on provisional measures and prompt release of vessels and crews. Presentations were made by President Golitsyn, Judges Paik and Heidar, and Registrar Gautier and were followed by a question and answer session.

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