It is with deep regret that the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea announces the death of Judge Vicente Marotta Rangel on 17 July 2017. Judge Marotta Rangel was a Member of the Tribunal from 1996 until 2015.

Judge Marotta Rangel was Emeritus Professor of the School of Law of the University of São Paulo, where he also served as Director from 1982 to 1986. He also served as Legal Adviser to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, representing Brazil at numerous diplomatic conferences. He was a Member of the Permanent Court of Arbitration from 1979 to 2003, of the Institut de droit international, the International Law Association, the Instituto Hispano-Luso-Americano de Derecho Internacional, the Arbitral Tribunal, Mercosur, the Association Henri Capitant (Brazilian group), the Asociación Argentina de Derecho Internacional, the Association internationale du droit de la mer and the Trade Arbitral Chamber Brazil - Canada (São Paulo).

Judge Marotta Rangel published numerous books, articles, monographs and papers in the field of public and private international law, international organizations and the law of the sea.

The Members of the Tribunal pay tribute to Judge Marotta Rangel’s contribution to the international law of the sea and will honour his memory.

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