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# Press Release

## **SWEARING-IN CEREMONY FOR FIVE NEW MEMBERS OF THE TRIBUNAL**

At a public ceremony held this morning, Mr Óscar Cabello Sarubbi (Paraguay), Ms Neeru Chadha (India), Mr Kriangsak Kittichaisaree (Thailand), Mr Roman Kolodkin (Russian Federation) and Ms Liesbeth Lijnzaad (The Netherlands) were sworn in as members of the Tribunal. The five judges were elected at the twenty-seventh Meeting of States Parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea to serve a term of nine years, commencing on 1 October 2017. Before taking up their duties, newly elected judges are required to make a solemn declaration that they will exercise their powers as judges impartially and conscientiously. The declarations were made today in the presence of the Tribunal.



From left to right: Judges Cabello Sarubbi, Lijnzaad, Chadha, Kittichaisaree and Kolodkin

The *curricula vitae* of the five new judges may be found on the [website](#) of the Tribunal. A [webcast](#) of the ceremony is also available.

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