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THE TRIBUNAL DEEPLY REGRETS TO ANNOUNCE THE DEATH OF JUDGE GUANGJIAN XU

It is with regret that the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea announces the death of Judge Guangjian Xu (China) in Beijing on 18 December 2022. Judge Xu was a Member of the Tribunal from 2001 to 2007.

Prior to his election to the bench of the Tribunal, Judge Xu acted as Director General of the Department of Treaty and Law and Legal Adviser to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, representing China at numerous diplomatic conferences. He was Adjunct Professor of International Law at the Foreign Affairs College, Beijing, Senior Adviser to the Chinese Society of International Law, Vice-President of the Chinese Society of the Law of the Sea, Senior Researcher at the Hainan Research Institute of the South China Sea and Senior Adviser to the Chinese Institute of Marine Affairs.

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

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