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It is with deep regret that the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea announces the death of Judge and former President Vladimir Vladimirovich Golitsyn (Russian Federation) on 26 March 2023.

Judge Golitsyn was a member of the Tribunal from 2008 to 2017 and its President from 2014 to 2017. Between 2011 and 2014, he served as President of the Seabed Disputes Chamber.

Born on 27 February 1947, Judge Golitsyn received a Doctor of Juridical Sciences from the Diplomatic Academy of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the former USSR. He began his career at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in 1975 before moving to the United Nations Office of the Legal Counsel in 1982. He served as Secretary for the Plenary of the Preparatory Commission for the International Seabed Authority and the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea and as Principal Legal Officer for the Office of the Legal Counsel. He also held the position of Director of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea before being elected to the bench of the Tribunal in 2008.

Judge Golitsyn was a member of the Russian Association of International Law and the Global Ocean Commission. He lectured and wrote extensively on international law, Antarctica, the law of the sea and environmental law.

The members of the Tribunal pay tribute to Judge Golitsyn's work as President and Judge at the Tribunal and to his contribution to the development of international law of the sea.

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