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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 L. Dolliver M. Nelson on 18 July 2016. Judge Nelson was a Member of the Tribunal from 1996 until 2014 and President thereof from 2002 until 2005.

Judge Nelson devoted his professional life to the development of the law of the sea. He served *inter alia* as Secretary of the Drafting Committee of the Third United Nations Conference on the Law of the Sea (1974-1982), acted as Executive Secretary of the Preparatory Commission for the International Seabed Authority and the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea (1983-1994), and was President of the Annex VII arbitral tribunal in the case regarding the delimitation of the maritime boundary between Guyana and Suriname (2004-2007).

Judge Nelson was also a visiting Professor of International Law, London School of Economics (1995-2003) and published extensively on various topics of international law.

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

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