



INTERNATIONAL TRIBUNAL FOR THE LAW OF THE SEA
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Press Release

TRIBUNAL'S CHAMBERS RECONSTITUTED

Hamburg, 3 October. The Chambers of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea were reconstituted by the Tribunal at a meeting held on 2 October 2002.

Seabed Disputes Chamber

The Seabed Disputes Chamber is established in accordance with Part XI, section 5, of the Convention and article 14 of the Statute. The Chamber has jurisdiction in disputes with respect to activities in the International Seabed Area.

The Chamber is composed of 11 judges, who are selected by the members of the Tribunal every three years. The selection process ensures the representation of the principal legal systems of the world and equitable geographical distribution. The Chamber elects its President from among its members. The composition of the Chamber for the period ending 30 September 2005, is as follows:

President Mohamed Mouldi Marsit

Members Hugo Caminos
 Alexander Yankov
 P. Chandrasekhara Rao
 Choon-Ho Park
 Thomas A. Mensah
 David Anderson
 José Luis Jesus
 Guangjian Xu
 Lennox Fitzroy Ballah
 Jean-Pierre Cot

Chamber of Summary Procedure

In accordance with article 15, paragraphs 3 and 4, of the Statute, the Chamber of Summary Procedure may hear and determine a case by summary procedure if the parties so request. In addition, the Chamber may prescribe provisional measures if the Tribunal is not in session or a sufficient number of members is not available to constitute a quorum.

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The Chamber of Summary Procedure, constituted annually, is composed of five members and two alternates, as provided for by the Statute. The President and the Vice-President of the Tribunal are members *ex officio* of the Chamber; the President of the Tribunal serves as President of the Chamber. The Chamber was constituted as follows for the period ending 30 September 2003:

President Dolliver Nelson

Members Budislav Vukas
 Joseph Akl
 Mohamed Mouldi Marsit
 Jean-Pierre Cot

Alternates José Luis Jesus
 Lennox Fitzroy Ballah

Chamber for Marine Environment Disputes

The Chamber for Marine Environment Disputes, established in accordance with article 15, paragraph 1, of the Statute, is available to deal with disputes relating to the protection and preservation of the marine environment which parties may agree to submit to it. The Chamber consists of seven members. The composition of the Chamber for the period ending 30 September 2005 is as follows:

President Tullio Treves

Members Vicente Marotta Rangel
 Alexander Yankov
 Paul Bamela Engo
 Joseph Akl
 David Anderson
 Guangjian Xu

Chamber for Fisheries Disputes

The Chamber for Fisheries Disputes, established in accordance with article 15, paragraph 1, of the Statute, is available to deal with disputes concerning the conservation and management of marine living resources, which parties may agree to submit to it. The Chamber consists of seven members. The composition of the Chamber for the period ending 30 September 2005 is as follows:

President Hugo Caminos

Members Soji Yamamoto

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Anatoly Lazarevich Kolodkin
Choon-Ho Park
Rüdiger Wolfrum
Tafsir Malick Ndiaye
José Luis Jesus

The Press Releases of the Tribunal, documents and other information are available on the Tribunal's websites: <http://www.itlos.org> and <http://www.tiddm.org> and from the Registry of the Tribunal. Please contact Ms. Julia Pope at Am Internationalen Seegerichtshof 1, 22609 Hamburg, Germany, Tel.: +49 (40) 35607-227, Fax: +49 (40) 35607-245;
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