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**HEARING TO COMMENCE ON 25 SEPTEMBER 2003 AT 10 A.M.
IN THE CASE CONCERNING LAND RECLAMATION BY SINGAPORE IN
AND AROUND THE STRAITS OF JOHOR
(MALAYSIA V. SINGAPORE), PROVISIONAL MEASURES**

SWEARING-IN CEREMONY OF JUDGES AD HOC ON 24 SEPTEMBER 2003 AT 4 P.M.

The hearing on the Request for provisional measures in the *Case concerning Land Reclamation by Singapore in and around the Straits of Johor (Malaysia v. Singapore), Provisional Measures* will open on Thursday, 25 September 2003 at 10 a.m. The hearing will take place from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Thursday, from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Friday and from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday.

A public sitting of the Tribunal will be held at 4 p.m. on Wednesday, 24 September 2003, at which Dr. Kamal Hossain, Judge *ad hoc* nominated by Malaysia and Professor Bernard H. Oxman, Judge *ad hoc* nominated by Singapore, will make the solemn declaration required under article 9 of the Rules of the Tribunal. In accordance with article 17 of the Statute of the Tribunal, each party may choose a person to participate as a member of the Tribunal if the Tribunal does not include upon the bench a member of the nationality of either of the parties.

JUDGE AD HOC HOSSAIN

Dr. Kamal Hossain, a national of Bangladesh, was awarded his B.A. Hons in Jurisprudence in 1957, his Bachelor of Civil Law in 1958 and his Doctor of Philosophy in International Law in 1964 from the University of Oxford. He has been a Barrister-at-Law at Lincoln's Inn, United Kingdom, since 1959 and has been enrolled at the Supreme Court of Bangladesh since 1959, where he is now Senior Advocate.

He is currently Vice-Chairman of the International Law Association and a member of the Energy Law Section of the Council of LAWASIA, Chairman of the Advisory Council of Transparency International and Co-Chair of the International Council, Centre for International Sustainable Development Law, in Montreal. He acted as Chair of the International Law Association's International Committee on Legal Aspects of Sustainable Development from 1990 to 2002 and has been Chairman of the Gas Law Committee and a

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Council Member of the Section on Energy and Natural Resources Law of the International Bar Association. He was a Visiting Fellow at All Souls College, Oxford, in 1975 and a Gwilym Gibbon Research Fellow at Nuffield College, Oxford, from 1976 to 1978. Dr. Hossain served as Minister of Law for the Government of Bangladesh from 1972 to 1973 and as Minister of Foreign Affairs from 1973 to 1975. In 1972 he was the Chairman of the Constitution Drafting Committee of the Constituent Assembly of Bangladesh.

Dr. Hossain is a Member of the Panel of Arbitrators of ICSID and has served as Chairman of two ICC arbitral tribunals and member of numerous other arbitral tribunals at the ICC, ICSID and UNICTRAL. He has acted as Chairman for the United Nations Compensation Commission in Geneva since 1999. He has also acted as Counsel before ICSID and ICC arbitral tribunals.

JUDGE AD HOC OXMAN

Professor Bernard H. Oxman is a national of the United States of America. He graduated from Columbia Law School with a J.D. in 1965 and an A.B. from Columbia College in 1962. He is a member of the Bar of the District of Columbia, New York. He has worked for the University of Miami School of Law since 1977, as Associate Professor (1977–1980), Professor of Law (1980–present), Associate Dean (1987–1990), University Faculty Senator (1996–present), and as the Director of the Ocean and Coastal Law Program (1997–present), teaching conflict of laws, international law, law of the sea and torts on a regular basis. He has also been appointed visiting professor of numerous universities.

In addition he has acted as an international legal consultant to various governments and institutions, including the U.S. Departments of State, Defense and the Treasury, and the U.S. Trade and Development Agency, and as an arbitrator for international commercial arbitration. Professor Oxman has sat on the Board of Editors of the American Journal of International Law since 1986, was the International Decisions Editor from 1998 to 2003 and is now Co-Editor in Chief.

Professor Oxman worked for the Office of the Legal Adviser, U.S. Department of State, from 1968 to 1977, acting as Assistant Legal Adviser for Oceans, Environment and Scientific Affairs, Vice-Chair for the National Security Council Task Force on Law of the Sea and the Representative and Vice-Chair of the U.S. delegation at the Third United Nations Conference on the Law of the Sea from 1973 to 1982. He has been a member of the Department of State Advisory Committee on International Law and the Antarctic Section of the Department of State Advisory Committee on Oceans and International Environmental and Scientific Affairs.

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2. Photographs may be taken for a few minutes at the opening and at the end of the sittings. Television crews may film during the whole proceedings, but advance notice should be given to the Press Office.
3. Mobile telephones and beepers are allowed in the courtroom on the condition that they are turned off or set to silent mode. Any offending device will be temporarily retained.
4. The verbatim records of the public sittings will be published daily on the Tribunal's website (www.itlos.org and www.tidm.org).

The Press Releases of the Tribunal, documents and other information are available on the Tribunal's websites: <http://www.itlos.org> and <http://www.tidm.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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