Jurisdictional Clauses

[For inclusion in an Agreement conferring jurisdiction on the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea or a special chamber of the Tribunal formed pursuant to article 15, paragraph 2, of the Statute]

Clause conferring jurisdiction on the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea

Any dispute between the contracting parties relating to the interpretation or application of the provisions of this Agreement [which cannot be resolved through negotiations between the parties within [a reasonable period of time] following the notification by one party to the other party of the existence of a dispute] shall, at the request of any party to the Agreement, be submitted to the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea.

Clause conferring jurisdiction on a special chamber formed pursuant to article 15, paragraph 2, of the Statute

1. Any dispute relating to the interpretation or application of the provisions of this agreement [which cannot be resolved through consultations between the parties within [a reasonable period of time] following the notification by one party to the other party of the existence of a dispute] shall, at the request of any party to the agreement, be submitted to a special chamber of the International Tribunal for the Law the Sea (hereinafter the “Tribunal”), composed of [five] judges, pursuant to article 15, paragraph 2, of the Statute of the Tribunal.

2. If the parties cannot agree on the composition of the chamber, any party may, after a period of 60 days following the date of the request referred to in paragraph 1 above, request the President of the Tribunal to determine the composition of the chamber. If the President is unable to act or is a national of one of the parties to the dispute, the composition of the Chamber shall be determined by the next available senior member of the Tribunal who is not a national of one of the parties to the dispute.