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#### **ORDER**

The President of the International Court of Justice

Having regard to Article 48 of the Statute of the Court and to Article 44, paragraphs 3 and 4, of the Rules of Court,

Having regard to the Application filed in the Registry of the Court on 23 June 1999, whereby the Democratic Republic of the Congo instituted proceedings against the Rwandese Republic in respect of a dispute concerning "acts of *armed aggression* perpetrated by Rwanda on the territory of the Democratic Republic of the Congo, in flagrant violation of the United Nations Charter and of the Charter of the Organization of African Unity",

Having regard to the Order of 21 October 1999, whereby the Court, taking into account the agreement concerning the procedure reached between the Parties, and their views regarding the time-limits to be fixed, decided that the written proceedings would first be addressed to the questions of the jurisdiction of the Court to entertain the Application and of its admissibility, and fixed 21 April 2000 and 23 October 2000 respectively as the time-limits for the filing of the Memorial of the Rwandese Republic and the Counter-Memorial of the Democratic Republic of the Congo on those questions,

Having regard to the Memorial of the Rwandese Republic, which was filed within the time-limit thus fixed;

Whereas, by a letter dated 6 October 2000, received in the Registry on the same day by facsimile, the Agent of the Democratic Republic of the

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Congo requested the Court to extend by a period not exceeding four months the time-limit for the filing of the Counter-Memorial, and indicated the reasons for that request; and whereas, on receipt of that letter, the Registrar, referring to Article 44, paragraph 3, of the Rules of Court, transmitted a copy thereof to the Agent of the Rwandese Republic;

Whereas the Government of the Rwandese Republic did not object to the extension of time-limit requested by the Democratic Republic of the Congo,

Extends to 23 January 2001 the time-limit for the filing of the Counter-Memorial of the Democratic Republic of the Congo; and

Reserves the subsequent procedure for further decision.

Done in French and in English, the French text being authoritative, at the Peace Palace, The Hague, this nineteenth day of October, two thousand, in three copies, one of which will be placed in the archives of the Court and the others transmitted to the Government of the Democratic Republic of the Congo and the Government of the Rwandese Republic, respectively.

(Signed) Gilbert Guillaume,
President.

(Signed) Philippe Couvreur,
Registrar.