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Certain Criminal Proceedings in France (Republic of the Congo v. France)

The Court fixes time-limits for the filing of a Reply and a Rejoinder

THE HAGUE, 18 June 2004. By an Order dated 17 June 2004, the International Court of Justice (ICJ) has authorized the submission of a Reply by the Republic of the Congo and a Rejoinder by France in the case concerning <u>Certain Criminal Proceedings in France (Republic of the Congo v. France)</u>

In its Order the Court fixed 10 December 2004 and 10 June 2005 as respective time-limits for the filing of these pleadings.

The Court adopted this Order taking account of the agreement of the Parties and of the particular circumstances of the case.

History of the proceedings

For the history of the proceedings, see Press Communiqué 2003/21 on the Court's website (<u>www.icj-cij.org</u>). Click on "Docket" and then on the name of the case concerning <u>Certain</u> <u>Criminal Proceedings in France (Republic of the Congo v. France)</u>.

The full text of the Court's Order will be available shortly on the Court's website (<u>www.icj-cij.org</u>). You are, however, reminded that the written pleadings remain confidential at least until the opening of the oral proceedings.

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