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Proceedings instituted by the Kingdom of Belgium against the Republic of Senegal

Request for the indication of provisional measures

The Court to hold public hearings from 6 to 8 April 2009

THE HAGUE, 12 March 2009. The International Court of Justice (ICJ), the principal judicial organ of the United Nations will hold public hearings in the proceedings instituted by the Kingdom of Belgium against the Republic of Senegal, from Monday 6 to Wednesday 8 April 2009, at the Peace Palace in The Hague, seat of the Court.

The hearings will be devoted to the request for the indication of provisional measures submitted by Belgium (see Press Release No. 2009/13).

Schedule for the hearings

— First round of oral argument

Monday 6 April 2009 10 a.m.-1 p.m.: Belgium

3 p.m.-6 p.m.: Senegal

— Second round of oral argument

Tuesday 7 April 2009 4.30 p.m.-6 p.m.: Belgium

Wednesday 8 April 2009 4.30 p.m.-6 p.m.: Senegal

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NOTE TO THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

1. The public hearings will be held in the Great Hall of Justice of the Peace Palace in The Hague, the Netherlands. Mobile telephones and beepers are permitted in the courtroom provided they are switched off. Any offending device will be temporarily retained.

2. **Media representatives** are subject to an **accreditation procedure**, the details of which can be found in the Media Advisory attached to this Press Release. **The accreditation procedure will close at midnight on Thursday 2 April 2009.**

3. **Individual visitors** (with the exception of members of the Diplomatic Corps) and **groups** are subject to an **admission procedure**. They are kindly requested to **give advance notification of their attendance** by filling out the relevant form on the Court's website (to the right of the screen under Calendar, click on "Attending a Hearing", then under "Admission for individuals" or "Admission for groups", click on "Online Application Form"). **The admission procedure will close at midnight on Thursday 2 April 2009.**

4. Verbatim records of the hearings will be published daily on the Court's website, with translations to follow as soon as practicable thereafter.

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