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Present: President Salam; Vice-President Sebutinde; Judges Abraham, Xue, Iwasawa, Nolte, Charlesworth, Gómez Robledo, Cleveland, Aurescu, Tladi; Judges ad hoc Daudet, Koroma; Registrar Gautier.

The International Court of Justice,

Composed as above,

After deliberation,

Having regard to Article 48 of the Statute of the Court and to Article 79ter, paragraph 5, of the Rules of Court,

Having regard to the Application filed in the Registry of the Court on 23 September 2021, whereby the Republic of Azerbaijan (hereinafter "Azerbaijan") instituted proceedings against the Republic of Armenia (hereinafter "Armenia") concerning alleged violations of the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination of 21 December 1965 (hereinafter "CERD"),

Having regard to the Order of 21 January 2022, whereby the Court fixed 23 January 2023 and 23 January 2024 as the respective time-limits for the filing of a Memorial by Azerbaijan and a Counter-Memorial by Armenia,

Having regard to the Memorial of Azerbaijan filed within the time-limit thus fixed,

Having regard to the preliminary objections raised by Armenia on 21 April 2023;

Whereas, under the provisions of Article 79bis, paragraph 3, of the Rules of Court, the filing of preliminary objections by Armenia had the effect of suspending the proceedings on the merits;

Whereas, by its Judgment of 12 November 2024, the Court found that it has jurisdiction, on the basis of Article 22 of CERD, to entertain the Application filed by Azerbaijan, except with respect to Azerbaijan's claims relating to alleged acts that occurred before 15 September 1996, the date on which CERD entered into force between the Parties, and with respect to Azerbaijan's claims relating to environmental harm,

Fixes 12 November 2025 as the time-limit for the filing of the Counter-Memorial of Armenia; 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 twelfth day of November, two thousand and twenty-four, in three copies, one of which will be placed in the archives of the Court and the others transmitted to the Government of Azerbaijan and the Government of Armenia, respectively.

(Signed) Nawaf SALAM, President.

(Signed) Philippe GAUTIER, Registrar.