#### INTERNATIONAL COURT OF JUSTICE

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# CASE CONCERNING THE BARCELONA TRACTION, LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY, LIMITED

(BELGIUM v. SPAIN)

ORDER OF 5 DECEMBER 1959

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COUR INTERNATIONALE DE JUSTICE

RECUEIL DES ARRÊTS, AVIS CONSULTATIFS ET ORDONNANCES

AFFAIRE RELATIVE
A LA BARCELONA TRACTION, LIGHT
AND POWER COMPANY, LIMITED

(BELGIQUE c. ESPAGNE)

ORDONNANCE DU 5 DÉCEMBRE 1959

#### This Order should be cited as follows:

"Case concerning the Barcelona Traction, Light and Power Company, Limited (Belgium v. Spain), Order of 5 December 1959: I.C.J. Reports 1959, p. 289."

La présente ordonnance doit être citée comme suit:

« Affaire relative à la Barcelona Traction, Light and Power Company, Limited (Belgique c. Espagne),

Ordonnance du 5 décembre 1959: C. I. J. Recueil 1959, p. 289. »

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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 37 of the Rules of Court,

having regard to the Order of 18 October 1958 whereby 18 June 1959 was fixed as the time-limit for the filing of the Memorial of the Belgian Government, and 18 February 1960 as the time-limit for the filing of the Counter-Memorial of the Spanish Government, the subsequent procedure being reserved for further decision,

Whereas, by a letter of 24 November 1959, the Agent for the Spanish Government requested an extension to 18 August 1960 of the time-limit for the filing of the Counter-Memorial, the reasons given in support of the request being the number and the length of the documents annexed to the Memorial, which it was necessary to verify and which were spread over various countries, and the necessity, for the preparation of the defence, of assembling other documents and evidence likewise spread over various countries and drafted in various languages;

Whereas a copy of the above-mentioned letter was on the same day communicated to the Agent for the Belgian Government who

was invited to make known the views of his Government on the request thus presented;

Whereas, by a letter of 2 December 1959, the Agent for the Belgian Government stated that the request gave rise to serious reservations:

Decides to extend to 21 May 1960 the time-limit for the filing of the Counter-Memorial of the Spanish Government, the subsequent procedure remaining reserved for further decision.

Done in English and French, the English text being authoritative, at the Peace Palace, The Hague, this fifth day of December, one thousand nine hundred and fifty-nine, in three copies, one of which will be placed in the archives of the Court and the others transmitted to the Belgian Government and to the Spanish Government, respectively.

(Signed) Helge KLAESTAD, President.

(Signed) GARNIER-COIGNET, Deputy-Registrar.