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## ORDER

*Present: President* SIR PERCY SPENDER; *Vice-President* WELLINGTON KOO; *Judges* WINIARSKI, BADAWI, SPIROPOULOS, SIR GERALD FITZMAURICE, KORETSKY, TANAKA, JESSUP, MORELLI, FORSTER, GROS; *Judges ad hoc* SIR LOUIS MBANEFO, VAN WYK; *Deputy-Registrar* AQUARONE.

THE COURT,

composed as above,

after deliberation,

having regard to Article 48 of the Statute of the Court,

In the proceedings instituted before the Court by the Applications filed in the Registry of the Court on 4 November 1960 by the Government of Ethiopia and the Government of Liberia against the Government of South Africa,

*makes the following Order:*

Having regard to the notification to the Court by the Respondent on 14 March 1965 of its intention to make an application to the Court relating to the composition of the Court for the purposes of the cases now before it;

Whereas the said notification was duly communicated to the Agents for the Applicants;

Whereas, in accordance with the terms of Article 46 of the Statute of the Court, the Court decided to hear the contentions of the Parties with regard to the application of the Respondent concerning the composition of the Court, in closed hearings by the Court;

Having heard the contentions of the Parties at closed hearings held on 15 and 16 March 1965,

THE COURT

by eight votes to six,  
decides not to accede to the said application.

Done in English and in French, the English text being authoritative, at the Peace Palace, The Hague, this eighteenth day of March, one thousand nine hundred and sixty-five, in four copies, one of which will be placed in the archives of the Court and the others transmitted to the Government of Ethiopia, the Government of Liberia and the Government of South Africa, respectively.

*(Signed)* Percy C. SPENDER,  
President.

*(Signed)* S. AQUARONE,  
Deputy-Registrar.