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## ORDER

The President of the International Court of Justice,

Having regard to Article 48 of the Statute and to Articles 44, 46 and 49, paragraph 3, of the Rules of Court,

Having regard to the Special Agreement, concluded on 10 June 1977 between the Republic of Tunisia and the Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, concerning the continental shelf, which was notified to the Court on 1 December 1978,

Having regard to the Order of 3 June 1980 fixing 1 December 1980 as the time-limit for the filing of the Counter-Memorial of Tunisia and 2 February 1981 as the time-limit for the filing of the Counter-Memorial of the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya ;

Whereas the Counter-Memorial of Tunisia and the Counter-Memorial of the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya were each filed within the prescribed time-limit and, pursuant to Article 43, paragraphs 3 and 4, of the Statute of the Court and Article 4 of the Special Agreement, a certified copy of each was communicated to the Agent of the other Party at a meeting with the President of the Court held at the Peace Palace, The Hague, on 2 February 1981 ;

Whereas Article 4 of the Special Agreement of 10 June 1977 provides *inter alia* that, if necessary, additional written pleadings are to be submitted to the Court and exchanged within periods to be fixed by the Court at the request of either Party ;

Whereas at meetings with the President of the Court on 15 and 16 April 1981 the Agent of each of the two Parties informed him of his Govern-

ment's desire to submit an additional written pleading, to be filed within approximately three months ;

Fixes 15 July 1981 as the time-limit for the filing of the Reply of the Republic of Tunisia and for the filing of the Reply of the Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya.

Done in English and in French, the English text being authoritative, at the Peace Palace, The Hague, this sixteenth day of April one thousand nine hundred and eighty-one, in three copies, of which one will be placed in the archives of the Court and the others transmitted to the Government of the Republic of Tunisia and to the Government of the Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, respectively.

*(Signed)* Humphrey WALDOCK,  
President.

*(Signed)* Santiago TORRES BERNÁRDEZ,  
Registrar.

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