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A new case is submitted to the Court

Continental Shelf (Libyan Arab Jamahiriya/Malta)

The following information is placed at the disposal of the Press by the Registry of the International Court of Justice:

On 26 July 1982 the Government of the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya and the Government of Malta jointly notified to the Registrar of the Court a Special Agreement concluded between them on 23 May 1976 which came into force on 20 March 1982 when the instruments of ratification were exchanged. This Special Agreement refers to the Court a difference between the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya and the Republic of Malta concerning the delimitation of the continental shelf between the two States.

The time limit for the filing of the first pleadings, namely the Memorial of each Party, has been fixed at 26 April 1983.

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INST. M. RUEPICH