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The President of the International Court of Justice,

Having regard to Article 48 of the Statute of the Court and to Article 44, paragraphs 3 and 4, and Article 79, paragraphs 3 and 4, of the Rules of Court,

Having regard to the preliminary objections to the jurisdiction of the Court filed in this case on 4 March 1991 by the United States of America,

Having regard to the Order made by the Court on 9 April 1991 fixing 9 December 1991 as the time-limit within which the Islamic Republic of Iran might present a written statement of its observations and submissions on the preliminary objections raised by the United States of America;

Whereas by a letter dated 2 December 1991, received in the Registry on 3 December 1991, the Agent of Iran requested an extension of that timelimit by six months;

Whereas a copy of that letter was forthwith transmitted to the Agent of the United States of America, who was at the same time informed that the President of the Court had fixed 19 December 1991 as the time-limit within which the United States might state its views on that request;

Whereas the Agent of the United States of America, by a letter of

13 December 1991, informed the Court that his Government "has no objection to this extension, on the understanding that the United States will receive a similar amount of time to prepare a response to [the] observations and submissions" of Iran,

*Extends* to 9 June 1992 the time-limit for the written observations and submissions of the Islamic Republic of Iran on the preliminary objections of the United States of America; and

Reserves the subsequent procedure for further decision.

Done in English and in French, the English text being authoritative, at the Peace Palace, The Hague, this eighteenth day of December, one thousand nine hundred and ninety-one, in three copies, one of which will be placed in the archives of the Court and the others transmitted to the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran and the Government of the United States of America, respectively.

> (Signed) R. Y. JENNINGS, President. (Signed) Eduardo VALENCIA-OSPINA, Registrar.