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<u>Case concerning Passage through the Great Belt</u> <u>(Finland v. Denmark)</u>

Discontinuance

The following information is communicated to the Press by the Registry of the International Court of Justice:

In the Order of 29 July 1991, by which the Court adjudicated upon a request by Finland for the indication of provisional measures in the above case (cf. Press Communiqué 91/24, of that same date), the Court declared inter alia that "pending a decision of the Court on the merits, any negotiation between the Parties with a view to achieving a direct and friendly settlement is to be welcomed".

By a letter dated 3 September 1992 the Agent of Finland, referring to the passage quoted above, stated that a settlement of the dispute had been attained and accordingly notified the Court of the discontinuance of the case by Finland.

By a letter dated 4 September 1992 the Agent of Denmark, to whom a copy of the letter from the Agent of Finland had been communicated, stated that Denmark had no objection to the discontinuance.

Consequently, the President of the Court, on 10 September 1992, made an Order recording the discontinuance of the proceedings and directing the removal of the case from the Court's list.