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Present: President Bedjaoui; Vice-President Schwebel; Judges Oda, Guillaume, Shahabuddeen, Weeramantry, Ranjeva, Herczegh, Shi, Fleischhauer, Koroma, Vereshchetin, Ferrari Bravo; Registrar Valencia-Ospina.

The International Court of Justice,

Composed as above,

After deliberation.

Having regard to Article 48 of the Statute of the Court and to Articles 31 and 79 of the Rules of Court,

Having regard to the Order of 19 June 1992 whereby the Court fixed 20 December 1993 and 20 June 1995 as the time-limits for the filing, respectively, of a Memorial of the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya and of a Counter-Memorial of the United Kingdom;

Whereas on 16 June 1995 the United Kingdom filed certain preliminary objections to the jurisdiction of the Court and to the admissibility of the Libyan claims;

Whereas accordingly, by virtue of Article 79, paragraph 3, of the Rules of Court, the proceedings on the merits are suspended and a time-limit has to be fixed for the presentation by the other Party of a written statement of its observations and submissions on the preliminary objections;

Whereas at a meeting between the President of the Court and the Agents of the Parties, held on 9 September 1995, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya requested that a time-limit of three months be fixed for the presentation of that written statement, and whereas the United Kingdom agreed;

Having taken into account the views of the Parties,

Fixes 22 December 1995 as the time-limit within which the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya may present a written statement of its observations and submissions on the preliminary objections raised by the United Kingdom; 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 twenty-second day of September, one thousand nine hundred and ninety-five, in three copies, one of which will be placed in the archives of the Court and the others transmitted to the Government of the Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya and the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, respectively.

(Signed) Mohammed Bedjaoui, President. (Signed) Eduardo Valencia-Ospina,

Registrar.