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# Case concerning the Land and Maritime Boundary (Cameroon v. Nigeria)

### Request for the indication of provisional measures

### Progress and conclusion of public hearings

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

The public hearings held by the Court on the request for the indication of provisional measures made by Cameroon in the above case, which opened on Tuesday 5 March 1996, were concluded on Friday 8 March 1996.

During the first round of oral arguments, held on 5 and 6 March, statements were made:

- on behalf of Cameroon, by H.E. Mr. Douala Moutoume, Agent of Cameroon, by Professor Maurice Kamto and Dean Peter Ntarmack, Co-Agents, by Professor Alain Pellet, Deputy-Agent, Counsel and Advocate, and by H.E. Mr. Paul Bamela Engo and Professor Jean-Pierre Cot, Counsel and Advocates;
- on behalf of Nigeria, by Chief M.A. Agbamuche, Agent of Nigeria, by Chief Richard Akinjide, Co-Agent, and by Professor Ian Brownlie, Sir Arthur Watts and Professor James Crawford, Counsel and Advocates.

Vice-President Schwebel put a question to the Agents of both Parties and Judges Oda and Guillaume each put a question to the Agent of Nigeria.

The second round took place on 8 March. The speakers were:

- on behalf of Cameroon, H.E. Mr. Douala Moutoume, Agent of Cameroon, Professor Maurice Kamto, Co-Agent, Professor Alain Pellet, Deputy-Agent, Counsel and Advocate, and Professor Jean-Pierre Cot, Counsel and Advocate;
- on behalf of Nigeria, Chief M.A. Agbamuche, Agent of Nigeria, by Chief Richard Akinjide, Co-Agent, and Professor Ian Brownlie, Sir Arthur Watts and Professor James Crawford, Counsel and Advocates.

The hearings now being completed, the Court will begin to consider its decision.

The date of the public sitting at which the Order on the request for the indication of provisional measures is to be read will be announced in a Press Communiqué.