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Present: President TOMKA; Vice-President SEPÚLVEDA-AMOR; Judges OWADA, ABRAHAM, KEITH, BENNOUNA, SKOTNIKOV, CANÇADO TRINDADE, YUSUF, GREENWOOD, XUE, DONOGHUE, GAJA, SEBUTINDE, BHANDARI; Registrar COUVREUR.

The International Court of Justice,

Composed as above,

After deliberation,

Having regard to Article 48 of the Statute of the Court and to Articles 44, 45, paragraph 1, 48 and 49 of the Rules of Court,

Having regard to the Application filed in the Registry of the Court on 24 April 2014, whereby the Republic of the Marshall Islands instituted proceedings against the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland with regard to alleged breaches of obligations relating to the cessation of the nuclear arms race at an early date and to nuclear disarmament;

Whereas an original of the Application was communicated to the United Kingdom on the day it was filed;

Whereas, in its Application, the Marshall Islands appointed H.E. Mr. Tony A. deBrum and Mr. Phon van den Biesen as Co-Agents for the purposes of the case; and whereas the United Kingdom appointed Mr. Iain Macleod as Agent, and Ms Catherine Adams and Mr. Shehzad Charania as Deputy Agents;

Whereas, at a meeting held by the President of the Court with the representatives of the Parties on 11 June 2014, pursuant to Article 31 of the Rules of Court, those representatives expressed the views of their respective Governments regarding the time-limits required in order to prepare the first round of written pleadings and agreed that a period of nine months would be appropriate for the preparation of the Memorial and for that of the Counter-Memorial;

Taking into account the agreement of the Parties,

*Fixes* the following time-limits for the filing of the written pleadings:

16 March 2015 for the Memorial of the Republic of the Marshall Islands;

16 December 2015 for the Counter-Memorial of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland; 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 sixteenth day of June, two thousand and fourteen, in three copies, one of which will be placed in the archives of the Court and the others transmitted to the Government of the Republic of the Marshall Islands and the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, respectively.

> (Signed) Peter TOMKA, President.

*(Signed)* Philippe COUVREUR, Registrar.