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**OBLIGATIONS CONCERNING NEGOTIATIONS RELATING TO CESSATION
OF THE NUCLEAR ARMS RACE AND TO NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT**

(MARSHALL ISLANDS v. PAKISTAN)

ORDER

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, of the Rules of Court,

Having regard to the Order of 10 July 2014, whereby the President of the Court fixed 12 January 2015 and 17 July 2015 respectively as the time-limits for the filing of the Memorial of the Republic of the Marshall Islands and the Counter-Memorial of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan on the questions of the jurisdiction of the Court and the admissibility of the Application,

Having regard to the Memorial duly filed by the Marshall Islands within the time-limit thus fixed;

Whereas, by a Note Verbale dated 2 July 2015 and received in the Registry on the same day, the Government of Pakistan informed the Court that it requested a six-month extension of the time-limit for the filing of its Counter-Memorial; and whereas, on receipt of that Note Verbale, the Registrar transmitted a copy thereof to the Marshall Islands;

Whereas, by a letter dated 8 July 2015 and received in the Registry on 9 July 2015, the Government of the Marshall Islands informed the Court that, for the reasons given in that letter, it “would be comfortable with the Court’s expanding the initial six-month time-limit [for the filing of the Counter-Memorial of Pakistan] to nine months in total, counting from the [date of the filing of the Marshall Islands’] Memorial”;

Taking account of the views of the Parties,

Extends the time-limit for the filing of the Counter-Memorial of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan on the questions of the jurisdiction of the Court and the admissibility of the Application to 1 December 2015; and

Reserves the subsequent procedure for further decision.

Done in French and in English, the French text being authoritative, at the Peace Palace, The Hague, this ninth day of July, two thousand and fifteen, 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 Islamic Republic of Pakistan, respectively.

(Signed) Ronny ABRAHAM,
President.

(Signed) Philippe COUVREUR,
Registrar.
