INTERNATIONAL TRIBUNAL FOR THE LAW OF THE SEA

YEAR 2013

24 April 2013

THE M/V "VIRGINIA G" CASE

(PANAMA/GUINEA-BISSAU)

ORDER

The President of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea,

Having regard to article 27 of the Statute of the Tribunal,

Having regard to articles 45 and 69 of the Rules of the Tribunal,

Having regard to the Orders of the President of 18 August 2011, 23 December 2011 and 8 August 2012, and the Orders of the Tribunal of 30 September 2011 and 2 November 2012,

Makes the following Order:

Whereas the President, by his Order dated 18 August 2011, fixed 4 January 2012 and 21 May 2012 as the time-limits for the filing, respectively, of the Memorial of Panama and the Counter-Memorial of Guinea-Bissau;

Whereas the Tribunal, by its Order dated 30 September 2011, authorized the submission of a Reply by Panama and a Rejoinder by Guinea-Bissau and fixed 21 August 2012 and 21 November 2012 as the respective time-limits for the filing of those pleadings;

Whereas the President, by his Order dated 23 December 2011, extended until 23 January 2012 and 11 June 2012, respectively, the time-limits for the filing of the Memorial of Panama and the Counter-Memorial of Guinea-Bissau and whereas those pleadings were duly filed within the extended time-limits;

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Whereas the President, by his Order dated 8 August 2012, extended until 28 August 2012 and 28 November 2012 the respective time-limits for the filing of the Reply of Panama and the Rejoinder of Guinea-Bissau and whereas those pleadings were duly filed within the extended time-limits;

Whereas the Tribunal, by its Order dated 2 November 2012, authorized the submission by Panama of an additional pleading relating solely to the counter-claim submitted by Guinea-Bissau and fixed 21 December 2012 as the time-limit for the filing of this pleading and whereas this pleading was duly filed within this time-limit;

THE PRESIDENT

Having ascertained the views of the Parties,

Fixes 2 September 2013 as the date for the opening of the hearing; and

Reserves the subsequent procedure for further decision.

Done in English and in French, both texts being equally authoritative, in the Free and Hanseatic City of Hamburg, this twenty-fourth day of April, two thousand and thirteen, in three copies, one of which will be placed in the archives of the Tribunal and the others transmitted to the Government of Panama and the Government of Guinea-Bissau, respectively.

SHUNJI YANAI
President

PHILIPPE GAUTIER
Registrar

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