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Present: President OWADA; Vice-President TOMKA; Judges KOROMA, AL-KHASAWNEH, SIMMA, ABRAHAM, KEITH, SEPÚLVEDA-AMOR, BENNOUNA, SKOTNIKOV, CAÑADO TRINDADE, YUSUF, GREENWOOD; 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 31, 44, 45, paragraph 2, 48 and 49 of the Rules of Court,

Having regard to the Application filed in the Registry of the Court on 17 November 2008, whereby the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia instituted proceedings against the Hellenic Republic “to protect its rights under the Interim Accord [of 13 September 1995] and to ensure that it is allowed to exercise its rights as an independent State acting in accordance with international law, including the right to pursue membership of relevant international organisations [under Article 11, paragraph 1, of that Accord]”,

Having regard to the Order of 20 January 2009, by which the Court fixed 20 July 2009 and 20 January 2010 as respective time-limits for the filing of the Memorial of the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and the Counter-Memorial of the Hellenic Republic,

Having regard to the Memorial and the Counter-Memorial duly filed by the Parties within those time-limits;

Whereas, at a meeting held by the President of the Court with the representatives of the Parties on 9 March 2010, H.E. Mr. Nikola Dimitrov, Co-Agent of the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, indicated that his Government wished to be able to respond to the Counter-Memorial of the Hellenic Republic, including the objections to jurisdiction and admissibility contained therein, by means of a Reply, and to have available for that purpose a time-limit of approximately four and a half months as from the filing of the Counter-Memorial; and whereas Ms Maria Telalian, Agent of the Hellenic Republic, stated that her Government had no objection to the granting of this request, in so far as the Hellenic Republic could in turn submit a Rejoinder and had an identical time-limit available for that purpose;

Taking account of the agreement of the Parties,

Authorizes the submission of a Reply by the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and a Rejoinder by the Hellenic Republic;

Fixes the following time-limits for the filing of those pleadings:

9 June 2010 for the Reply of the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia;

27 October 2010 for the Rejoinder of the Hellenic Republic; 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 twelfth day of March, two thousand and ten, in three copies, one of which will be placed in the archives of the Court and the others transmitted to the Government of the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and the Government of the Hellenic Republic, respectively.

(Signed) Hisashi OWADA,
President.

(Signed) Philippe COUVREUR,
Registrar.
