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Press Release

THE M/T "HEROIC IDUN" (NO. 2) CASE (MARSHALL ISLANDS/EQUATORIAL GUINEA)

SOLEMN DECLARATION TO BE MADE BY JUDGES *AD HOC*ON 1 OCTOBER 2025 AT 11 A.M.

HEARING TO OPEN ON 6 OCTOBER 2025

A public sitting will be held on Wednesday, 1 October 2025 at 11 a.m., at which the judges *ad hoc* chosen by the Marshall Islands and Equatorial Guinea will make the solemn declaration required under article 9 of the Rules of the Tribunal. Mr Gudmundur Eiriksson (Iceland) has been chosen by the Marshall Islands to serve as judge *ad hoc* and Mr Philippe Couvreur (Belgium) has been chosen by Equatorial Guinea to serve as judge *ad hoc*.

The hearing in *The M/T "Heroic Idun"* (No. 2) Case (Marshall Islands/Equatorial Guinea) will then open on Monday, 6 October 2025 at 10 a.m. Judge Hoffmann, President of the Special Chamber of the Tribunal constituted to deal with the case, will preside. The Special Chamber consists of Judge Hoffmann (South Africa), Judges Infante Caffi (Chile) and Brown (Jamaica), and Judges *ad hoc* Eiriksson (Iceland) and Couvreur (Belgium).

The schedule of the hearing is available on the website of the Tribunal at: https://www.itlos.org/en/main/cases/schedule-of-hearings/. Members of the diplomatic and consular corps and the general public wishing to attend the sittings are requested to register in advance with the Press Office.

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