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VISIT OF THE PRESIDENT OF CAPE VERDE TO THE INTERNATIONAL TRIBUNAL FOR THE LAW OF THE SEA

Hamburg, 15 October 2009. His Excellency Mr Pedro Verona Pires, President of the Republic of Cape Verde, was received today at the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea during his visit to the Free and Hanseatic City of Hamburg.

President Pires was welcomed by the President of the Tribunal, Judge José Luis Jesus, and the Deputy Registrar of the Tribunal, Mr Doo-young Kim. President Pires, who was accompanied by the Foreign Minister of Cape Verde, Mr José Brito, the Ambassador of Cape Verde to the Federal Republic of Germany, Mr Jorge Tolentino, and other members of his delegation, was received in the President's chambers, where he signed the visitors' book.

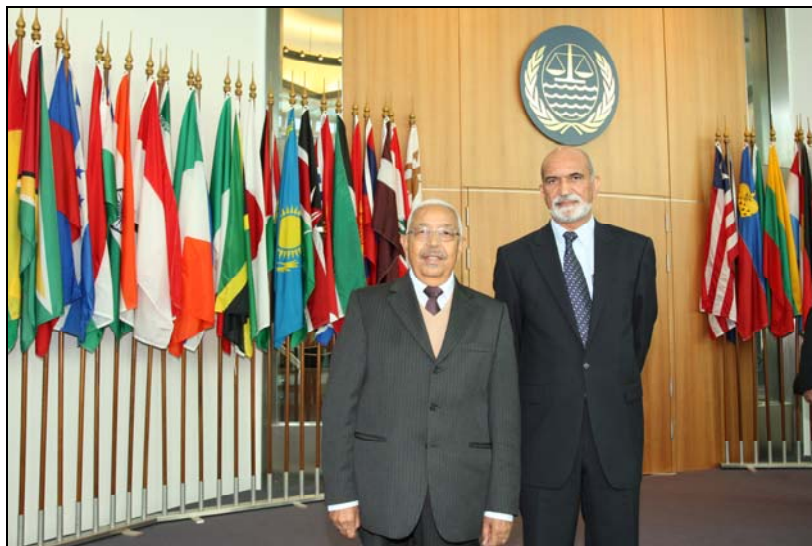


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President Pires praised the work of the Tribunal and the important contribution that it has already made to the peaceful settlement of law of the sea-related disputes. The visit concluded with President Jesus giving the delegation a tour of the building.

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