



INTERNATIONAL TRIBUNAL FOR THE LAW OF THE SEA  
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# Press Release

HEARING TO TAKE PLACE ON 10 AND 11 MAY 2019

***CASE CONCERNING THE DETENTION OF THREE  
UKRAINIAN NAVAL VESSELS  
(UKRAINE V. RUSSIAN FEDERATION), PROVISIONAL MEASURES***

By Order dated 23 April 2019, the President of the Tribunal, Judge Jin-Hyun Paik, fixed 10 and 11 May 2019 as the date for the hearing in the *Case concerning the detention of three Ukrainian naval vessels (Ukraine v. Russian Federation)*. A copy of the Order of the President is available on the website of the Tribunal. The schedule of the hearing will be announced on the [website of the Tribunal](#).

On 16 April 2019, Ukraine submitted a request to the Tribunal for the prescription of provisional measures under article 290, paragraph 5, of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea in a dispute between Ukraine and the Russian Federation concerning “the immunity of three Ukrainian naval vessels and the twenty-four servicemen on board”.

## **Attending the hearing**

The hearing will be held in the main courtroom of the Tribunal and is open to the public. Members of the diplomatic and consular corps wishing to attend the hearing are requested to contact the Tribunal’s [Protocol Office](#). Members of the press are requested to register in advance with the [Press Office](#) by 8 May 2019 using the [accreditation form](#). Members of the general public are requested to register with the [Press Office](#) by email by 6 May 2019.

Unobtrusive audio and video recording of the public sittings is permitted. Filming is subject to special authorization from the Press Office. Facilities are available for radio crews to connect recording equipment directly to the Tribunal’s audio system. Photographs (without flash) may be taken for a few minutes at the opening and at the end of the hearings.

## **Webcast**

The hearing will be broadcast [live](#) on the website. A recorded webcast will be made available under [Webcast Archives](#) after the close of each sitting. The verbatim records of the hearing will be published shortly thereafter on the website of the Tribunal.

The press releases of the Tribunal, documents and other information are available on the Tribunal's websites (<http://www.itlos.org> and <http://www.tidm.org>) and from the Registry of the Tribunal. Please contact Ms Julia Ritter or Mr Benjamin Benirschke at: Am Internationalen Seegerichtshof 1, 22609 Hamburg, Germany, Tel.: +49 (40) 35607-227; Fax: +49 (40) 35607-245; E-mail: [press@itlos.org](mailto:press@itlos.org)