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Proceedings instituted by Argentina against Uruguay

Request for the indication of provisional measures

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THE HAGUE, 11 May 2006. The International Court of Justice (ICJ) will hold public hearings on Thursday 8 and Friday 9 June 2006 on the request for the indication of provisional measures submitted on 4 May 2006 by Argentina in the proceedings brought by it against Uruguay concerning alleged breaches by Uruguay of obligations incumbent upon it under the Statute of the River Uruguay, a treaty signed by Argentina and Uruguay on 26 February 1975.

The hearings will be held in the Great Hall of Justice of the Peace Palace in The Hague, seat of the Court. The schedule for the hearings will be as follows:

First round of oral argument: Thursday 8 June 2006

Argentina 10.00 a.m.-1 p.m. Uruguay 3.00 p.m.-6 p.m.

Second round of oral argument: Friday 9 June 2006

Argentina 10.00 a.m.-noon Uruguay 4.30 p.m.-6.30 p.m.

History of the proceedings

For the history of the proceedings, please refer to Press Release No. 2006/17 of 4 May 2006, on the Court's website (www.icj-cij.org). On the homepage, click on "Docket", then on the hyperlink for the case.

NOTE TO THE PRESS

- 1. The public hearings will be held in the Great Hall of Justice of the Peace Palace in The Hague, Netherlands. **Mobile telephones and beepers are allowed in the courtroom provided they are turned off**. Any offending device will be temporarily retained.
- 2. Members of the Press may attend on presentation of a press card. The tables reserved for them are situated to the far left of the public entrance to the courtroom.
- 3. Photographs and TV shots may be taken for a few minutes at the opening of each sitting. The proceedings will be displayed live on a large TV screen in the Press Room, located on the ground floor of the Peace Palace (Room 5). In the Press Room, it will be possible for TV crews to connect recording equipment directly to the Court's video system, but advance notice of this should be given to the Information Department. There is also a facility for the connection of sound-only equipment to the Court's audio system during the proceedings.
- 4. Telephone calls may be made from the phone located in the Press Room (collect calls only) or from the public payphones in the Post Office in the basement of the Peace Palace.
- 5. Verbatim records of the hearings will be published daily on the Court's website (**www.icj-cij.org**), with translations to follow as soon as practicable thereafter.
- 6. Mrs. Laurence Blairon, Head of the Information Department (tel: +31-70-302 2336), and Mr. Boris Heim and Mr. Maxime Schouppe, Information Officers, are available to deal with any requests from the Press (tel: +31-70-302 2337; e-mail address: information@icj-cij.org).