The following information from the Registry of the International Court of Justice has been communicated to the Press:

The International Court of Justice held a public sitting today, May 16th 1951, in the Haya de la Torre case.

Having stated that the request to intervene made by the Government of Cuba was admissible, the President, M. Basdevant, opened the oral procedure of the case.

The Agent for Colombia, M. de la Vega, Minister of Colombia at The Hague, presented his Government's arguments. Continuing his statement of the facts he submitted that the two judgments given by the Court in 1950 do not oblige Colombia to deliver to the Peruvian authorities M. Haya de la Torre, who has taken refuge in the Colombian Embassy at Lima.

During the course of the next hearing the representatives of Peru will in their turn present their Government's arguments.

The Hague, May 16th, 1951.