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ORDONNANCE

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DE TOUTES LES FORMES DE DISCRIMINATION RACIALE**

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The President of the International Court of Justice,

Having regard to Article 48 of the Statute of the Court and to Articles 31, 44, 45, paragraph 2, and 48 of the Rules of Court,

Having regard to the Application filed in the Registry of the Court on 23 September 2021, whereby the Republic of Azerbaijan (hereinafter “Azerbaijan”) instituted proceedings against the Republic of Armenia (hereinafter “Armenia”) concerning alleged violations of the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination of 21 December 1965 (hereinafter “CERD”),

Having regard to the Order of 21 January 2022, whereby the Court fixed 23 January 2023 and 23 January 2024 as the respective time-limits for the filing of a Memorial by Azerbaijan and a Counter-Memorial by Armenia,

Having regard to the Memorial of Azerbaijan filed within the time-limit thus fixed,

Having regard to the preliminary objections raised by Armenia on 21 April 2023,

Having regard to the Judgment of 12 November 2024, whereby the Court found that it has jurisdiction, on the basis of Article 22 of CERD, to entertain the Application filed by Azerbaijan, except with respect to Azerbaijan’s claims relating to alleged acts that occurred before 15 September 1996, the date on which CERD entered into force between the Parties, and with respect to Azerbaijan’s claims relating to environmental harm,

Having regard to the Order of 12 November 2024, whereby the Court fixed 12 November 2025 as the time-limit for the filing of the Counter-Memorial of Armenia,

Having regard to the Counter-Memorial of Armenia filed within the time-limit thus fixed;

Whereas, by letters dated 11 December 2025, the Agents of Azerbaijan and Armenia each informed the Court that the Parties were in agreement that a second round of written pleadings was appropriate and proposed a period of ten months from the date of the Court's Order for the preparation of a Reply by the Applicant and a Rejoinder by the Respondent;

Taking into account the agreement of the Parties,

Authorizes the submission of a Reply by the Republic of Azerbaijan and a Rejoinder by the Republic of Armenia;

Fixes the following time-limits for the filing of the written pleadings:

19 October 2026 for the Reply of the Republic of Azerbaijan;

19 August 2027 for the Rejoinder of the Republic of Armenia; and

Reserves the subsequent procedure for further decision.

Done in French and in English, the French text being authoritative, at the Peace Palace, The Hague, this seventeenth day of December, two thousand and twenty-five, in three copies, one of which will be placed in the archives of the Court and the others transmitted to the Government of the Republic of Azerbaijan and the Government of the Republic of Armenia, respectively.

(Signed) IWASAWA Yuji,
President.

(Signed) Philippe GAUTIER,
Registrar.
