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Frontier dispute (Burkina Faso/Mali)

Progress and conclusion of public hearings

The following information is made available to the Press by the Registry of the International Court of Justice:

The Chamber of the Court dealing with the case concerning the Frontier Dispute between Burkina Faso and Mali held public hearings between 16 and 26 June 1986.

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The Chamber to which the case has been brought was constituted by an Order of the Court dated 3 April 1985, and is composed as follows: President Mohammed Bedjaoui; Judges Manfred Lachs and José-Maria Ruda; Judges ad hoc François Luchaire and Georges Abi-Saab.

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During the first round of oral argument, held between 16 and 21 June, statements were made

- on behalf of Burkina Faso, by His Excellency Mr. Ernest Ouedraogo, Agent of Burkina Faso; Mr. Souleymane Diallo, Counsel; His Excellency Mr. Emmanuel Salembere, Co-Agent; Mr. Alain Pellet and Mr. Jean-Pierre Cot, Counsel and Advocates;

- on behalf of Mali, by His Excellency Lieutenant-Colonel Abdourahmane Maiga, Agent of Mali; Mr. Jean Salmon, Mr. Raymond Ranjeva, Mr. Pierre-Marie Dupuy, Counsel; Mr. Diadié Traoré, Scientific and Technical Adviser.

The second round of oral argument took place on 24 and 26 June 1986. The speakers were:

- for Burkina Faso, Mr. Jean Pierre Cot, Counsel and Advocate; Mr. Jean Gateaud, Expert; Mr. Alain Pellet, Counsel and Advocate;

- for Mali, Mr. Jean Salmon, Counsel; Mr. Paul Delmond, Expert; Mr. Raymond Ranjeva, Counsel; Mr. Diadié Traoré, Scientific and Technical Adviser.

Each of the two Agents read the final submissions of his Government at the end of the oral phase of the proceedings.

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The Chamber will now consider its Judgment in the case. The Press will be informed of the date on which the Chamber will deliver its Judgment.