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Case concerning Kasikili/Sedudu Island

(Botswana/Namibia)

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

The above case in which the Parties ask the Court to

"determine, on the basis of the Anglo-German Treaty of 1st July 1980 and the rules and principles of international law, the boundary between Namibia and Botswana around Kasikili/Sedudu Island and the legal status of the island"

was brought before the Court on 29 May 1996 (see Press Communiqué 96/19 of 30 May 1996).

By an Order of 24 June 1996 the Court, taking into account the agreement between the parties with regard to the written proceedings as expressed in Article 11, paragraph 2, of the Special Agreement, has fixed the following time-limits:

- 28 February 1997 for the filing by each of the Parties of a Memorial;
- 28 November 1997 for the filing by each of the Parties of a Counter-Memorial.

The subsequent procedure is reserved for further decision.