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**Application for Revision of the Judgment of 11 September 1992 in the Case concerning the Land, Island and Maritime Frontier Dispute (El Salvador/Honduras: Nicaragua intervening) (El Salvador v. Honduras)**

**Conclusion of the public hearings**

**Chamber ready to begin its deliberation**

THE HAGUE, 12 September 2003. The public hearings before the Chamber of the Court formed to deal with the case concerning Application for Revision of the Judgment of 11 September 1992 in the Case concerning the Land, Island and Maritime Frontier Dispute (El Salvador/Honduras: Nicaragua intervening) (El Salvador v. Honduras) were concluded today. The Chamber will now start its deliberation.

At the hearings, which opened on 8 September 2003, the delegation of El Salvador was led by Mr. Gabriel Mauricio Gutiérrez Castro, as Agent; the delegation of Honduras was led by H.E. Mr. Carlos López Contreras, Former Minister for Foreign Affairs, as Agent.

In accordance with Article 61 of the Statute, these public hearings were devoted to the question of the admissibility of the Application for Revision filed by El Salvador. The Chamber's judgment on this matter will be delivered at a public sitting on a date to be announced later.

**Final submissions of the Parties**

At the conclusion of the oral proceedings the Parties presented the following submissions to the Court:

**For El Salvador:**

“The Republic of El Salvador respectfully requests the Chamber, rejecting all contrary claims and submissions to adjudge and declare:

1. The Application of the Republic of El Salvador is admissible based on the existence of new facts of such a nature as to leave the case open to revision, pursuant to Article 61 of the Statute of the Court, and

2. Once the request is admitted that it proceed to a revision of the Judgment of 11 September 1992, so that a new judgment fixes the boundary line in the sixth disputed sector of the land boundary between El Salvador and Honduras as follows:

“Starting at the old mouth of the Goascorán River at the entry point known as the Estero de la Cutú, located at latitude 13 degrees 22 minutes 00 seconds north and longitude 87 degrees 41 minutes 25 seconds west, the border follows the old bed of the Goascorán River for a distance of 17,300 metres up to the place known as Rompición de Los Amates, located at latitude 13 degrees 26 minutes 29 seconds north and longitude 87 degrees 43 minutes 25 seconds west, which is where the Goascorán River changed course.””

For Honduras:

“The Government of the Republic of Honduras requests the Chamber to declare the inadmissibility of the Application for Revision presented on 10 September 2002 by El Salvador.”

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NOTE FOR THE PRESS

Full transcripts of the hearings held from 8 to 12 September 2003 can be found on the Court’s website ([www.icj-cij.org](http://www.icj-cij.org)) under “Docket”. Click on the hyperlink bearing the name of the case.

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