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Arbitral Award of 3 October 1899 (Guyana v. Venezuela)

The Court to deliver its Judgment on the question of its jurisdiction on Friday 18 December 2020 at 3 p.m.

THE HAGUE, 10 December 2020. On Friday 18 December 2020, the International Court of Justice, the principal judicial organ of the United Nations, will deliver its Judgment on the question of its jurisdiction in the case concerning the *Arbitral Award of 3 October 1899 (Guyana v. Venezuela)*.

A public sitting of the Court will take place at 3 p.m. at the Peace Palace in The Hague, during which the President of the ICJ, Judge Abdulqawi Ahmed Yusuf, will read out the Court's decision.

In view of the current COVID-19 pandemic, only Members of the Court and representatives of the Parties will be present in the Great Hall of Justice. Members of the diplomatic corps, the media and public will be able to follow the reading through a live webcast on the Court's website, as well as on UN Web TV.

History of the proceedings

The history of proceedings can be found in Press Releases Nos. 2018/17, 2018/31, 2020/5, 2020/8, 2020/15, 2020/17 and 2020/18, which are available on the Court's website (www.icj-cij.org).

Multimedia

The sitting will be streamed live and on demand (VOD) in English and in French on the Court's website, as well as on UN Web TV, the United Nations online television channel. High resolution video files (SD/MPEG2 and HD/MPEG4) and still photos produced by the Registry during the reading of the Judgments will be available free of charge, for non-commercial use, on the Court's website and Twitter feed (@CIJ_ICJ) at the close of the sitting (to download, click on www.icj-cij.org/en/multimedia-index).

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