

The following information from the Registry of the International Court of Justice has been communicated to the Press.

On September 25th, 1958, at 11 a.m. the International Court of Justice will begin hearings in the case concerning the Application of the Convention of 1902 governing the guardianship of infants (Netherlands v. Sweden).

Since the Court does not include upon the Bench any judge of the nationality of the parties, each of the parties has exercised its right under Article 31, paragraph 3, of the Statute, to choose a judge ad hoc: the Swedish Government has chosen M. Fredrik Julius Christian Sterzel, former Judge of the Supreme Court of Sweden, and the Government of the Netherlands has chosen M. J. Offerhaus, Professor of Private International Law at the University of Amsterdam, President of the 7th and 8th Sessions of The Hague Conference on Private International Law.

MM. Sterzel and Offerhaus will be installed as judges ad hoc at the beginning of the sitting.

The Parties have informed the Registry that they will be represented before the Court as follows:

for the Government of the Netherlands:

as Agent,

M. W. Riphagen,

as Counsel,

Professor I. Kisch of the Law Faculty of the University of Amsterdam,

as Expert,

M. J.G. Sauveplane.

for the Government of Sweden:

as Agent,

M. Sven Dahlman, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary at The Hague,

as Counsel,

M. Sture Petré, Ambassador, Director of Legal Affairs at the Royal Ministry for Foreign Affairs,

M. Henri Rolin, Professor of International Law at the Free University of Brussels, Member of the Bar of the Brussels Court of Appeal.

The Hague, September 24th, 1958.