

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

The International Court of Justice will sit on Monday, April 27th, 1959, at 10.30 a.m. at the Peace Palace at The Hague.

At this sitting the oral proceedings will begin in the case referred to the Court on November 27th, 1959, pursuant to a special agreement, signed at The Hague on March 7th, 1957 by Belgium and the Netherlands, under which Belgium and the Netherlands referred to the Court their dispute concerning the sovereignty over certain parcels of land shown in the survey and known from 1836 to 1843 as Nos. 91 and 92, Section A, Zondereijgen. The plots in question lie in the frontier region of Baarle-Nassau and Baarle-Duc. The Court is asked to say to which of the two States sovereignty over these parcels belongs.

The Parties will be represented by the following:-

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The Hague, April 23rd, 1959.