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**Communiqué**

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United States Diplomatic and Consular Staff in Tehran  
(United States of America v. Iran)

Public hearing to be held on 10 December  
at 3 p.m.

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

The public hearing at which the International Court of Justice, as foreshadowed in Press Communiqué No. 79/4, is to hear oral argument on the request for provisional measures filed by the United States will open at the Peace Palace in The Hague at 3 p.m. on Monday 10 December 1979.

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The Court will meet in private at 10.30 a.m. tomorrow, 4 December 1979, to enable the judges to hold an exchange of views on the case and make practical arrangements.

The public hearing which will open at 3 p.m. on 10 December will be devoted to arguments and submissions concerning the request for provisional measures.

The hearing may comprise one or more sittings, depending on the length of the argument presented. On the close of these public proceedings, the Court, in accordance with its Rules, will retire to deliberate in private session and to prepare its decision on the request for provisional measures. That decision will be delivered a few days later, at a date of which the press will be informed.

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Annex to Press Communiqué No. 79/5

NOTE FOR THE PRESS

1. The public hearing will be held in the Great Hall of Justice of the Peace Palace. Members of the Press will be entitled to attend it on presentation of an admission card, which may be obtained upon application. The tables reserved for them are situated on the far left of the public entrance to the courtroom.

2. Photographs may be taken before the opening and during the first few minutes of the sitting. Filming for cinema or television purposes is however subject to special authorization.

3. In the Press Room, located on the ground floor of the Peace Palace (Room 5), the oral proceedings will be relayed through a loudspeaker.

4. Members of the Press may use only the public telephones in the Post Office in the basement of the Palace.

5. Mr. C. Poux, First Secretary of the Court (telephone extension 233), or, in his absence, Mr. B. Noble (extension 248) will be available to deal with any requests for information by members of the Press.

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