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Land, Island and Maritime Frontier Dispute  
(El Salvador/Honduras)

Chamber to hold first public sitting

The following information is made available to the Press by the Registry of the International Court of Justice:

The five-member Chamber formed by the Court on 8 May 1987 to deal with a land, island and maritime frontier dispute between the Republic of El Salvador and the Republic of Honduras is to hold a first public sitting at the Peace Palace at 3 p.m. on Monday 9 November 1987 to enable two judges ad hoc to make the solemn declaration required by the Statute and the Rules of Court.

As announced in Press Communiqué No. 87/15, the composition of the Chamber is as follows: Judge José Sette-Camara, President of the Chamber; Judges Shigeru Oda and Sir Robert Jennings; Judges ad hoc Nicolas Valticos and Michel Virally, chosen respectively by Honduras and El Salvador.

A succinct biography of each judge ad hoc is annexed hereto.

## Curriculum Vitae

Nicolas VALTICOS, of Greek nationality, born in 1918.

Judge at the European Court of Human Rights.

Secretary-General of the Institute of International Law.

Former Assistant Director-General of the International Labour Office.

Former Professor in the Faculty of Law at the University of Geneva.

Member of the Permanent Court of Arbitration.

Ad hoc judge at the International Court of Justice (1984-1985).

Studied law at the Faculty of Law of the University of Paris.

Bachelor at Law (Licencié en droit) (1939). Ph.D. in Law (Docteur en droit - doctorat d'Etat, mention très bien) (1948). Prizeman of the Faculty of Law of the University of Paris (with award of two prizes for his doctoral thesis, i.e., Prix de la Faculté and Prix Dupin Afné, 1948-1949).

Barrister at Law in Athens (1941).

Chief of section at the Commission administering Relief in Greece (under the auspices of the International Committee of the Red Cross) (1942-1945).

Joined the International Labour Office in January 1949.

In 1955 appointed Chief of the Application of Conference Decisions Division. In 1964 appointed Chief of the International Labour Standards Department. From 1976 to 1981, Assistant Director-General, Adviser for International Labour Standards.

Member and Chairman of various international arbitral tribunals and commissions of inquiry.

Ad hoc Judge at the International Court of Justice (1984-1985)  
(Case concerning the Continental Shelf, Libya/Malta).

In 1986, elected Judge at the European Court of Human Rights.

Associate Professor at the Faculty of Law of the University of Geneva (1972-1981).

Member of the Institute of International Law, Secretary-General since 1981.

Member of the Permanent Court of Arbitration.

Doctor honoris causa of the Universities of Athens (Greece), Leuven (Belgium) and Utrecht (Netherlands).

Corresponding member of the Academy of Athens.

Awarded the Professorship Henri Rolin of International Law (Belgium) for 1979-1980.

Member of the Council of the International Institute of Human Rights.  
Member of the American Society of International Law, of the Société française de droit international, of the International Law Association and of the Greek Society of International Law.

Commander of the Order of Honour (Greece), 1981.

Commander of the Order of Isabella la Catolica (Spain), 1986.

Officer of the Légion d'honneur (France), 1982.

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## Curriculum Vitae

Michel VIRALLY, born at Autun (Saône-et-Loire) on 6 January 1922.

Professor at the University of Law, Economics and Social Sciences, Paris, and at the Graduate Institute of International Studies, Geneva; Honorary Professor at the Faculty of Law of the University of Geneva.

Doctor of Laws (1948), laureate of the University of Paris, agrégé of the Faculties of Law (1952).

Lecturer (1949), Professor agrégé (1952), then Full Professor (1956) of the Chair of International Institutions of the Faculty of Law, Politics and Economics of the University of Strasbourg. Professor at the Strasbourg Institute of Political Sciences (1952-1961). Director of the Institute of Comparative Law and Economics of Strasbourg (1957-1961). Research Fellow, School of International Affairs, Columbia University (New York, 1959-1961). Professor at the Graduate Institute of International Studies, Geneva (since 1961). Professor Extraordinary of the Philosophy of Law at the University of Geneva (1962-1965). Ordinary Professor of International Law (1965-1974), Head of the Department of Public International Law and International Organizations (1965-1974) at the University of Geneva.

Legal Counsel of the United Nations Mediator in Cyprus (1964). Consultant of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (1972).

Representative of France to the Special Committee on Principles of International Law concerning Friendly Relations and Co-operation among States (1967-1970). Member of the French delegation to various sessions of the United Nations General Assembly and to the Vienna Conference on the Law of Treaties (1968).

Counsel for the French Government in the arbitrations concerning the aerial agreement of 27 March 1946 between France and the United States (1963 and 1978) and the delimitation of the continental shelf between France and the United Kingdom (1976-1977), and for other governments before the International Court of Justice or arbitral tribunals.

Member and President of a Chamber of the Iran/United States Claims Tribunal (since 1985).

Member of the Institute of International Law.

Director of the Revue générale de droit international public.



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## CORRIGENDUM

The following correction is drawn to the attention of the Press by the Registry of the International Court of Justice:

Contrary to the information provided in Press Communiqué No. 87/25 of 2 November 1987, Judge ad hoc Nicolas Valticos was chosen by El Salvador and Judge ad hoc Michel Virally by Honduras.

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