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Legality of the Use by a State of Nuclear
Weapons in Armed Conflict
(Request for Advisory Opinion by the
World Health Organization)

Legality of the Threat or Use of Nuclear Weapons
(Request for Advisory Opinion by the
General Assembly of the United Nations)

Hearings of the Court opening on 30 October 1995

Further to Press Communiqués 95/17 and 95/18 of 27 June 1995, which respectively announced the opening of hearings concerning the request for an advisory opinion submitted by the World Health Organization on the question of the Legality of the Use by a State of Nuclear Weapons in Armed Conflict as well as the request submitted by the United Nations General Assembly on the question of the Legality of the Threat or Use of Nuclear Weapons, the following information is communicated to the Press by the Registry of the International Court of Justice:

The World Health Organization and the following States have indicated that they will take part in the hearings: Australia, Colombia, Costa Rica, Egypt, France, Germany, Guyana, India, Indonesia, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Italy, Japan, Malaysia, the Marshall Islands, Mexico, Nauru, New Zealand, the Philippines, Qatar, the Russian Federation, Samoa, San Marino, Solomon Islands, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, and the United States of America.

The public sittings will be held from Monday to Friday, between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m., and will continue until Wednesday 15 November 1995. The World Health Organization which will speak first only in connection with its own request for an advisory opinion and the above-mentioned States, each having a maximum of one hour and-a-half in which to present their statements and comments in a single round, will be called upon to submit their oral statements in the order indicated above, which follows the English alphabetical list of Member States of the United Nations, members of specialized agencies or parties to the Statute of the International Court of Justice.
