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Continental Shelf (Libyan Arab Jamahiriya/Malta)

The Court resumes the oral proceedings

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

On Monday 4 February 1985 at 10 a.m., the Court will resume the oral proceedings in the case concerning Continental Shelf (Libyan Arab Jamahiriya/Malta).

It will first hear the experts called by the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya and by Malta. Each expert will be examined by the Party calling him, and cross-examined by the other Party.

Counsel for Malta and for the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya will in turn start and conclude the second round of oral argument.

The first round of oral argument took place from 26 November to 14 December 1984.

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Solemn Declaration  
by two new Members of the Court

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

On Wednesday 6 February 1985, at 4 p.m., the Court will hold a public sitting in the Peace Palace, The Hague, for the purpose of enabling two new judges, elected by the General Assembly and the Security Council of the United Nations on 7 November 1984, to make the solemn declaration provided for in Article 20 of the Statute of the Court. Their term of office will begin on that day.

The new Members of the Court are Judges Ni Zhengyu (China) and Jens Evensen (Norway).

They replace Judges Hermann Mosler (Federal Republic of Germany) and Abdallah El-Khani (Syrian Arab Republic).

Three Members of the Court were re-elected on 7 November 1984 and do not have to make another solemn declaration: Judges Taslim O. Elias (Nigeria), Manfred Lachs (Poland) and Shigeru Oda (Japan).

Short biographies of the new Members of the Court are annexed hereto.

NI ZHENGYU (CHINA)

Professor of Law and concurrently Dean of the Law Faculty and Dean of Studies, Suzhou University Law School, 1948-1954.

Law work and related international activities

Member, Shanghai Bar Association (1931-present).

Member, International Prosecution Section, International Military Tribunal for the Far East (1946-1948).

Legal Counsel of Chinese Delegation to the Twenty-seventh Session of the United Nations General Assembly (1972).

Legal Counsel of Chinese Delegation to the United Nations Sea-bed Committee (1972 and 1973).

Legal Counsel of Chinese Delegation to the Third United Nations Conference on the Law of the Sea (Caracas 1974, Geneva 1975, New York and Geneva 1977 and 1981 and New York 1982).

Member, International Law Commission of the United Nations, since 1982.

Published worksWritings

The Progress of Law from Chance to Choice (Stanford University, 1929).

The Hypothetical Nature of Law (China Law Review, 1931).

The Judicial Machinery in United States and the United Kingdom (Nanjing, 1946).

Studies on Problems of the Judiciary (China Law Journal, 1947).

The Question of Judicial Jurisdiction in International Law (World Knowledge Publishing House, Beijing, 1964).

Legal Problems in Collision of Ships Cases (Beijing, 1965).

The History and Present Condition of the Problem Concerning the Breadth of Territorial Sea (Beijing, 1971).

Practices in the Delimitation of Marine Areas (Beijing, 1971).

On the Legal Régime of the International Sea-bed Area (Beijing, 1972).

The International Struggle Relating to the Continental Shelf (Beijing, 1972)

Legal Status of the Air Space over the Territorial Sea (Beijing, 1976).

Some Problems of International Law Concerning the Outer Space (Chinese Yearbook of International Law, 1982).

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**Theory and Practice Concerning Jurisdictional Immunities of States (Chinese Yearbook of International Law, 1983).**

**Translations**

**Private International Law, by J. A. C. Thomas (Beijing, 1963).**

**International Treaty Series 1917-1957 (jointly undertaken), (Beijing, 1959-1960).**

**International Relations of the Chinese Empire, by H. B. Morse (jointly), (Shanghai, 1956).**

**Diplomacy, by Harold Nicolson (jointly), (Beijing, 1957).**

**Consular Law and Practice, by Luke T. Lee (jointly), (Beijing, 1975).**

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**EVENSEN, Jens**

(Norway)

Born 5 November 1917, in Oslo, Norway. Married, 2 children.  
Residence: Vollen in Asker, Norway.

Academic activities

Law degree University of Oslo, 1942. Fellowships at Minnesota Law School and Columbia Law School, 1947. Rockefeller fellowship, Harvard Law School, 1952-1953.

Doctorate in law (S.J.D.), Harvard Law School, 1968. Doctorate honoris causa Heriot-Watt University, Edinburgh, 1947. Associate member of l'Institut de Droit International from 1971.

Lecturer and member of the examining board at the Law Faculty of the University of Oslo, 1945-1973, in international law etc. Instructor (Manucteur) at the Law Faculty, 1943-1962. Lectured at the Hague Academy of International Law 1965, on "Aspects of International Law relating to Modern Radio Communications". Lecturer at the World Peace through Law Conferences in Washington, 1965, and Geneva, 1967. Ad hoc lecturer at various universities.

Professional career

Police superintendent and District Attorney ad hoc in high treason cases, 1945-1948. Assistant Solicitor General 1958-1949. Barrister of the Supreme Court of Norway 1951. law practice 1949-1961.

Director-General of the Legal Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs Norway, 1961-1973. Chairman of the Norwegian Commission on Maritime Limits, 1961-present. Chairman of the Petroleum Council of the Government of Norway, 1963-1975. Chairman of the Norwegian Committee on Legislation for the Fishery Zone, 1967-1969. Chairman of the Committee for Preparation of Norwegian Legislation on a Safety Code for Production of Petroleum, the Laying of Pipelines Conservation etc. on the Norwegian Continental Shelf, 1970-1973. Chairman of the Committee on Price Negotiations concerning Petroleum Produced on the Norwegian Continental shelf, 1971-1973.

Ambassador, International Law Advisor to the Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, 1979-present.

Political appointments

Minister for Commerce and Shipping, 1973-1974. Minister for the Law of the Sea, 1974-1978.

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Counsel and Co-agent in the Hannevig Case between Norway and the United States, 1949-1956. Barrister and Counsel for the Government of Norway in the Anglo/Norwegian Fishery Case before the International Court of Justice, 1949-1951. Barrister and Counsel for the Government of Norway in the case concerning Certain Norwegian Loans between Norway and France before the International Court of Justice, 1955-1957. Agent and Counsel for the Government of Norway before the International Court of Justice in the advisory opinion on Certain Expenses of the United Nations, 1962.

Agent and Counsel for the Government of Norway before ad hoc international tribunals. Agent and Counsel for the Government of Norway before the European Commission of Human Rights in the Iversen Case, 1962-1963. Agent and Counsel for the Government of Norway before the European Commission of Human Rights in the Grek Case, 1967-1969.

#### Diplomatic missions

Head of various delegations appointed by the Government of Norway for the negotiation of bilateral and multilateral agreements and conventions. Norwegian delegate to the Sixth Committee of the General Assembly of the United Nations. Head of the Norwegian delegation to the United Nations "Sea-bed Committee" (Ad hoc (subsequently permanent) Committee on the Peaceful Uses of the Sea-bed and Ocean Floor beyond the Limits of National Jurisdiction), Vice-Chairman, 1968-1973.

Appointed Ambassador en Mission Spéciale, 1972, as head of the Norwegian Delegation to negotiate a Free Trade Agreement with the European Economic Community, 1972-1973.

Head of the Norwegian delegation to the Third United Nations Conference on the Law of the Sea 1973-1982, Vice-President. Chairman of the Norwegian delegation to the Preparatory Commission for the International Sea-bed Authority and for the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea, 1983-present.

#### International legal and judicial office

Member of the International Law Commission, elected 1979, re-elected 1981.

President of the Panel of the Arbitral Tribunal of INTELSAT 1967-1969, Member 1969-1971.

Member of the Permanent Court of Arbitration, 1978-present.

Norwegian Member of the Conciliation Commission established pursuant to the Agreement of 28 May 1980 between Norway and Iceland on Fishery and Continental Shelf Questions, 1980-1981.

Judge ad hoc in the case between Tunisia and the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya in the Continental Shelf Case before the International Court of Justice, 1979-1982.

Appointed Special Rapporteur of the International Law Commission on the topic: The Law of the Non-Navigational Uses of International Watercourses, 1982-present.