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This series of Reports contains the texts of Decisions, Awards, Awards on Agreed Terms, Interim Awards, Interlocutory Awards, Interim and Interlocutory Awards, Selected Orders, Refusal Cases, and other materials emanating from the Iran-U.S. Claims Tribunal set up under the Claims Settlement Declaration to which the Governments of Iran and the United States adhered on 19 January 1981. The present volume contains material dated during the period 1 January 2019 to 31 December 2020.

All Decisions, Awards, Interim Awards, Interlocutory Awards and Refusal Cases are printed in these Reports. Procedural Orders are printed on a selective basis from the many thousands that have been issued by the Tribunal since its inception. Also, from time to time a section of a volume may be devoted to additional documents of a procedural nature.

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Decisions and Awards of the Tribunal are issued in numerical sequence on the basis of the date on which they are filed. The intent of these Reports is to reproduce the texts in that chronological order. This is only departed from if it is felt that a decision of particular significance should be brought forward or if there is insufficient space in a particular volume for an unusually lengthy text. Separate Opinions of individual judges are included in the volume relevant to the year in which they were filed. The absence of an Opinion in a Decision or Award is indicated by a footnote at the beginning of the case referring the reader to the relevant volume in which the Opinion will be found.

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