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PREFACE

The present volume contains the 2015 and 2018 judgments on the preliminary objection and merits respectively of the International Court of Justice in *Obligation to Negotiate Access to the Pacific Ocean (Bolivia v. Chile)*. National jurisprudence is reflected in decisions from the courts of Belgium (*Mukeshimana*), England (*Kontic, Tomanovic, M/T “Prestige”, Maduro Board and Dunn*), France (*Transparency International France*), Germany (*Greek Debt Restructuring Case*), the Netherlands (*Mothers of Srebrenica*), the Philippines (*Arigo v. Swift*), Russia (*Judgment No 6-P/2014*) and Sweden (*Kazakhstan v. Ascom and Stati*).

The Editors wish to thank the many people whose work has made this volume possible. Ms Rosalind Elphick undertook the task of summarizing the case from the International Court of Justice. Dr Natalie Jones summarized *Kontic, Tomanovic* and *M/T “Prestige”,* and Ms Caroline Kimeu prepared the summaries of *Maduro Board* and *Dunn*. Professor Raphael Pangalan wrote the summary of the *Arigo* case and Mr Daniel Regan summarized the *Stati* case. Dr Tom Ruys summarized the *Mukeshimana* case, the unofficial translation of which was prepared by Ms Odile Dua and Ms Marie Callens. Professor Michael Waibel, Ms Victoria Barausova and Ms Cléa Le Thuc translated and summarized the cases from Germany, Russia and France respectively. Ms Karen Lee wrote the summary of *Mothers of Srebrenica* and saw the volume through the press. Ms Isabelle J’Anson, the ILR Editorial Assistant, prepared the Tables of Cases and Digest. Miss Maureen MacGlashan, CMG, compiled the Table of Treaties and Index. Mrs Diane Ilott checked the copy and Mr Jack Webb read the proofs.

The Editors are very grateful to the International Court of Justice for kindly permitting these *Reports* to use the electronic files of the relevant judgments posted on its official website. They also extend their thanks to the Supreme Court of the Netherlands, the Supreme Court of the Philippines and the Constitutional Court of the Russian Federation for permission to reproduce the unofficial English translations of the *Mothers of Srebrenica* case, the *Arigo* case and *Judgment No 6-P/2014* respectively using the electronic files posted on their official websites. They are indebted to Mr Alexander Foerster of Mannheimer
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This is the last volume on which Finola O’Sullivan has worked. As a senior member of the Cambridge University Press team, Finola has been responsible for the publication of the *Reports* since 1997 and has thus worked on 90 volumes. The editors would like to pay tribute to the dedication, energy and enthusiasm which she has always shown. We very much regret that she is leaving the Press and wish her all success in the future.

Finally, our thanks go to all the others who have worked to complete this volume, particularly our publishers, Cambridge University Press, and typesetters, SPi, and their staff.

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EDITORIAL NOTE

The *International Law Reports* endeavour to provide within a single series of volumes comprehensive access in English to judicial materials bearing on public international law. On certain topics it is not always easy to draw a clear line between cases which are essentially ones of public international law interest and those which are primarily applications of special domestic rules. For example, in relation to extradition, the *Reports* will include cases which bear on the exception of “political offences” or the rule of double criminality, but will restrict the number of cases dealing with purely procedural aspects of extradition. Similarly, while the general rules relating to the admission and exclusion of aliens, especially of refugees, are of international legal interest, cases on the procedure of admission usually are not. In such borderline areas, and sometimes also where there is a series of domestic decisions all dealing with a single point in essentially the same manner, only one illustrative decision will be printed and references to the remainder will be given in an accompanying note.

Decisions of International Tribunals

The *Reports* seek to include so far as possible the available decisions of every international tribunal, e.g. the International Court of Justice, or ad hoc arbitrations between States. There are, however, some jurisdictions to which full coverage cannot be given, either because of the large number of decisions (e.g. the Administrative Tribunal of the United Nations) or because not all the decisions bear on questions of public international law (e.g. the Court of Justice of the European Union). In these instances, those decisions are selected which appear to have the greatest long-term value.

*Human rights cases.* The number of decisions on questions of international protection of human rights has increased considerably in recent years and it is now impossible for the *Reports* to cover them all. As far as decisions of international jurisdictions are concerned, the *Reports* will continue to publish decisions of the European Court of Human Rights and of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights, as well as “views” of the United Nations Human Rights Committee. Decisions of national courts on the application of conventions on human rights will not be published unless they deal with a major point of substantive human rights law or a matter of wider interest to public
international lawyers such as the relationship of international law and national law, the extent of the right of derogation or the principles of the interpretation of treaties.

*International arbitrations.* The *Reports* of course include arbitral awards rendered in cases between States which involve an application of public international law. Beyond this, however, the selection of arbitral decisions is more open to debate. As these *Reports* are principally concerned with matters of public international law, they will not include purely private law commercial arbitrations even if they are international in the sense that they arise between parties of different nationality and even if one of them is a State. (For reports of a number of such awards, see *Yearbook Commercial Arbitration* (ed. Stephan W. Schill, under the auspices of the International Council for Commercial Arbitration).) But where there is a sufficient point of contact with public international law then the relevant parts of the award will be reported. Examples of such points of contact are cases in which the character of a State as a party has some relevance (e.g. State immunity, stabilization clauses, *force majeure*) or where there is a choice of law problem involving discussion of international law or general principles of law as possible applicable laws. The same criteria will determine the selection of decisions of national courts regarding the enforcement of arbitral awards.

**Decisions of National Tribunals**

A systematic effort is made to collect from all national jurisdictions those judicial decisions which have some bearing on international law.

**Editorial Treatment of Materials**

The basic policy of the Editors is, so far as possible, to present the material in its original form. It is no part of the editorial function to impose on the decisions printed in these volumes a uniformity of approach or style which they do not possess. Editorial intervention is limited to the introduction of the summary and of the bold-letter rubric at the head of each case. This is followed by the full text of the original decision or of its translation. Normally, the only passages which will be omitted are those which contain either statements of fact having no bearing on the points of international law involved in the case or discussion of matters of domestic law unrelated to the points of international legal interest. The omission of material is usually indicated either by a series of dots or by the insertion of a sentence in square brackets noting the passages which have been left out.
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For reproduction of material in this volume, electronic files have been used wherever possible and their source acknowledged in the Preface. Citations of the reports in which the case may be found are listed in the “Report” section in square brackets at the end of the case; the language of the original decision is also mentioned there. The bold figures in square brackets in the body of the text indicate the pagination of the original report where included.

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With effect from Volume 75 the decisions contained in the Reports are no longer arranged according to the traditional classification scheme. Instead a Digest of Cases is published at the beginning of each volume. The main headings of the Digest are arranged alphabetically. Under each heading brief details are given of those cases reported in that volume which contain points covered by that heading. Each entry in the Digest gives the name of the case concerned and the page reference, the name of the tribunal which gave the decision and an indication of the main points raised in the case which relate to that particular heading of the Digest. Where a case raises points which concern several different areas of international law, entries relating to that case will appear under each of the relevant headings in the Digest. A list of the main headings used in the Digest is set out at p. xvii.

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