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Present: President Salam; *Vice-President* Sebutinde; *Judges* Tomka, Abraham, Yusuf, Xue, Bhandari, Iwasawa, Nolte, Charlesworth, Brant, Gómez Robledo, Cleveland, Aurescu, Tladi; *Judge* ad hoc McRae; *Registrar* Gautier.

The International Court of Justice,

Composed as above,

After deliberation,

Having regard to Article 48 of the Statute of the Court and to Articles 31, 44, 45, paragraph 1, and 48 of the Rules of Court,

Having regard to the Application filed in the Registry of the Court on 11 April 2024, whereby the United Mexican States (hereinafter "Mexico") instituted proceedings against the Republic of Ecuador (hereinafter "Ecuador") with respect to "legal questions concerning the settlement of international disputes by peaceful means and diplomatic relations, and the inviolability of a diplomatic mission";

Whereas, on 25 June 2024, a meeting was held by the President of the Court with the Agents of the Parties pursuant to Article 31 of the Rules of Court, in order to ascertain their views with regard to the time-limits for the filing of the initial written pleadings in the case;

Whereas, at this meeting, the Agent of Mexico indicated that her Government's preference would be to have at its disposal a period of nine to twelve months for the preparation of its Memorial; and whereas the Agent

of Ecuador stated that, in the view of his Government, a period of six months would be appropriate for the preparation of its Counter-Memorial;

Taking into account the views of the Parties,

Fixes the following time-limits for the filing of the written pleadings:

22 April 2025 for the Memorial of the United Mexican States;
22 January 2026 for the Counter-Memorial of the Republic of Ecuador; and

Reserves the subsequent procedure for further decision.

Done in English and in French, the English text being authoritative, at the Peace Palace, The Hague, this nineteenth day of July, two thousand and twenty-four, in three copies, one of which will be placed in the archives of the Court and the others transmitted to the Government of the United Mexican States and the Government of the Republic of Ecuador, respectively.

(Signed) Nawaf SALAM,
President.

(Signed) Philippe GAUTIER,
Registrar.

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