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COMPULSORY JURISDICTION OF THE INTERNATIONAL COURT OF JUSTICE

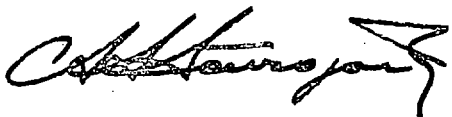
DECLARATION BY BELGIUM

Sir,

..... I am directed by the Secretary-General to transmit herewith, in accordance with paragraph 4 of Article 36 of the Statute of the International Court of Justice, a translation of the Declaration made by the Government of Belgium, subject to ratification, recognizing as compulsory the jurisdiction of the Court.

The Declaration and the instrument of ratification thereof were deposited with the Secretary-General on 17 June 1958.

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.



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Translated from French

DECLARATION OF THE BELGIAN GOVERNMENT ACCEPTING THE
COMPULSORY JURISDICTION OF THE INTERNATIONAL COURT
OF JUSTICE IN CONFORMITY WITH ARTICLE 36, PARAGRAPH 2,
OF THE STATUTE, SIGNED AT SAN FRANCISCO ON 26 JUNE 1945.

"I declare on behalf of the Belgian Government that I recognize as compulsory ipso facto and without special agreement, in relation to any other State accepting the same obligation, the jurisdiction of the International Court of Justice, in conformity with Article 36, paragraph 2 of the Statute of the Court, in legal disputes arising after 13 July 1948 concerning situations or facts subsequent to that date, except those in regard to which the parties have agreed or may agree to have recourse to another method of pacific settlement.

This declaration is made subject to ratification. It shall take effect on the day of deposit of the instrument of ratification for a period of five years. Upon the expiry of that period, it shall continue to have effect until notice of its termination is given."

Brussels, 3 April 1958

(Signed) V. Larock
Minister of Foreign Affairs

(Seal of the Ministry of Foreign
Affairs and Foreign Trade)