

Declarations Recognizing the Jurisdiction of the Court as Compulsory

The States parties to the Statute of the Court may "at any time declare that they recognize as compulsory *ipso facto* and without special agreement, in relation to any other State accepting the same obligation, the jurisdiction of the Court" (Art 36, para. 2 of the Statute).

Each State which has recognized the compulsory jurisdiction of the Court has in principle the right to bring any one or more other State accepted the same obligation before the Court by filing an application instituting proceedings with the Court, and, conversely, it has und appear before the Court should proceedings be instituted against it by one or more such other States.

The Declarations Recognizing as Compulsory the Jurisdiction of the Court take the form of a unilateral act of the State concerned and a deposited with the Secretary-General of the United Nations.

The texts of declarations under Article 36, paragraph 2, of the Statute, which, based on the information provided by the depository, had by effluxion of time, or whose withdrawal or replacement had not been notified by 3 December 2007 will be found below. The fact that a is or is not included in this section, is without prejudice to its possible application by the Court in a particular case.

In view of the provisions of Article 36, paragraph 5, of the Statute of the International Court of Justice, the present section also contains declarations made under the Statute of the Permanent Court of International Justice which have not lapsed or been withdrawn. There a such declarations.

The declarations, deposited by a total of 65 States, are given here in English. Where this is not the original language of the declaration, translations used, except where otherwise indicated, are by the Secretariat of the United Nations or of the League of Nations.

The following declaration have been filed with the Secretary-General of the United Nations (the date shown after the name of the State i which the declaration was deposited) :

Somalia

11 April 1963

I have the honour to declare on behalf of the Government of the Somali Republic that the Somali Republic accepts as compulsory *ipso fac* without special agreement, on condition of reciprocity, the jurisdiction of the International Court of Justice, in conformity with paragraph 2 c 36 of the Statute of the Court, until such time as notice may be given to terminate the acceptance, over all legal disputes arising other tha disputes in respect of which any other party to the dispute has accepted the compulsory jurisdiction of the International Court of Justice or relation to or for the purposes of the dispute; or where the acceptance of the Court's compulsory jurisdiction on behalf of any other Party t dispute was deposited or ratified less than twelve months prior to the filing of the application bringing the dispute before the Court.

The Somali Republic also reserves the right at any time by means of a notification addressed to the Secretary-General of the United Natic with effect as from the moment of such notification, either to add to, amend or withdraw any of the foregoing reservations, or any that may hereafter be added.

Mogadishu, 25 March 1963.

(Signed) Abdullahi ISSA,
Minister for Foreign Affairs.

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