PERMANENT COURT OF ARBITRATION

Arbitral Tribunal constituted pursuant to Article 287 of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (the "Convention") and article 1 of Annex VII to the Convention for the Dispute concerning the MOX Plant, International Movements of Radioactive Materials, and the Protection of the Marine Environment of the Irish Sea ("the MOX Plant case")

IRELAND v. UNITED KINGDOM

ORDER N° 2 – Time-Limits for Submission of Pleadings

The Arbitral Tribunal

Having regard to article 10, paragraphs 1, 2, 3 and 4, of the Rules of Procedure adopted by the Tribunal ("the Rules") and the time-limits specified therein for the submission of pleadings;

Having regard to article 10, paragraph 5, of the Rules concerning extension of time for the submission of pleadings;

Having regard to the request of the United Kingdom, in its letter dated 26 November 2002, for an extension by fourteen days of the time for submitting its Counter-Memorial;

Having ascertained the views of Ireland concerning the request of the United Kingdom;

Decides to extend by seven days the United Kingdom's time-limit for submitting its Counter-Memorial;

Decides, accordingly, that the time-limits for submission of the remaining pleadings shall be as follows:

- (a) On or before 10 January 2003, the United Kingdom shall submit its Counter-Memorial;
- (b) On or before 7 March 2003, Ireland may submit a Reply;
- (c) On or before 25 April 2003, the United Kingdom may submit a Rejoinder.

Done at The Hague this tenth day of December two thousand and two.

Signed:

Thomas A. Mensah

President

Anne Joyce

Registrar