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NORWAY

Declaration recognizing as compulsory the jurisdiction of the International Court of Justice, in conformity with Article 36, paragraph 2, of the Statute of the International Court of Justice. Done at New York on 24 June 1996. The Declaration was deposited with the Secretary-General of the United Nations on 24 June 1996, to take effect on the same date

Authentic text: English.

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NORVÈGE

Déclaration reconnaissant comme obligatoire la juridiction de la Cour internationale de Justice, conformément au paragraphe 2 de l'Article 36 du Statut de la Cour internationale de Justice. Faite à New York le 24 juin 1996. La Déclaration a été déposée auprès du Secrétaire général de l'Organisation des Nations Unies le 24 juin 1996, pour prendre effet à la même date

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DECLARATION¹ BY NORWAY RECOGNIZING AS COMPULSORY
THE JURISDICTION OF THE INTERNATIONAL COURT OF
JUSTICE, IN CONFORMITY WITH ARTICLE 36, PARAGRAPH 2,
OF THE STATUTE OF THE INTERNATIONAL COURT OF JUSTICE

PERMANENT MISSION OF NORWAY
TO THE UNITED NATIONS
NEW YORK

Dear Secretary-General:

On behalf of the Government of Norway,

I give notice that I hereby amend the acceptance by Norway of the compulsory jurisdiction of the International Court of Justice hitherto effective by virtue of the declaration made on 2 April 1976 in conformity with paragraph 2 of article 36 of the Statute of the Court. As amended, the declaration shall read:

I hereby declare on behalf of the Royal Norwegian Government that Norway recognizes as compulsory *ipso facto* and without special agreement, in relation to any other State accepting the same obligation, that is on condition of reciprocity, the jurisdiction of the International Court of Justice in conformity with Article 36, paragraph 2, of the Statute of the Court, for a period of five years as from 3 October 1976. This declaration shall thereafter be tacitly renewed for additional periods of five years, unless notice of termination is given not less than six months before the expiration of the current period; provided, however, that the limitations and exceptions relating to the settlement of disputes pursuant to the provisions of, and the Norwegian declarations applicable at any given time to, the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982² and the Agreement of 4 December 1995³ for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks, shall apply to all disputes concerning the law of the sea.


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² United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 1833, p. 3.

³ Not entered into force at the date of registration of the above-mentioned Declaration published herein.

It is requested that this notification be communicated to the governments of all the States that have accepted the Optional Clause and to the Registrar of the International Court of Justice. "

New York, 24 June 1996

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bjørn Lian". The signature is stylized with a large, sweeping initial "B" and a long, horizontal stroke extending to the right.

HANS JACOB BIØRN LIAN
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or Norway to the United Nations

H. E. Mr. Boutros Boutros-Ghali
Secretary-General
United Nations
New York
