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Belize Submits Counter-Memorial to the ICJ

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Today, Belize delivered its counter-memorial to the Registrar of the International Court of Justice in The Hague.

Belize's counter-memorial makes a robust defence of Belize's sovereignty over its entire territory including islands and the pertaining maritime areas in accordance with international law.

In accordance with the timetable announced by the Court, which was amended as a result of the pandemic, Guatemala submitted its memorial on December 8, 2020, and is due to submit its reply to Belize's countermemorial in December 2022. Belize will then have until June 2023 to submit its rejoinder, after which the Court will set a date for the oral hearings.

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