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FEDERAL COURT

BETWEEN:

ABOUSFIAN ABDELRAZIK

Applicant

-and-

MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Respondent

WRITTEN EXAMINATION

TO: *GEOFFREY EVERTS*

The Applicant has chosen to examine *Geoffrey Everts* for discovery on your affidavit sworn on September 11, 2008 on behalf of the Respondent.

You are required to answer the questions in the schedule by affidavit in Form 99B prescribed by the *Federal Courts Rules*.

The affidavit containing the answers is to be served on all other parties within 30 days from the date on which these questions are served on you.

September 29, 2008

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SCHEDULE

1. In addition to the naval vessels HMCS PROTECTEUR and the HMCS PRESERVER, does the Government of Canada occasionally charter civil or commercial vessels for its use?
2. Are the HMCS PROTECTEUR and the HMCS PRESERVER the only vessels in the world which are capable of traveling autonomously (without replenishment or refueling) the routes described in paragraphs 4 and 7 of your affidavit, or are certain civil or commercial vessels also capable of the same?
3. To clarify statements made in paragraphs 2-3 of your affidavit about diplomatic clearances and straits used for international navigation, is it correct to say that to travel the route in paragraph 4 normally only the diplomatic clearance of Egypt (not Spain or Morocco) would need be obtained, and to travel the route in paragraph 7, normally no diplomatic clearance (not Eritrea, Djibouti and Yemen) would need be obtained?
4. Have either the Government of Canada or the Canadian Forces ever obtained diplomatic clearance to transit the territorial waters of Egypt?
5. When applying to a foreign country for diplomatic clearance to transit its territorial waters, is disclosure of the name and identity of each passenger onboard the vessel a requirement to the application?
6. How do the requirements and the process for seeking diplomatic clearance from a foreign country to transit its territorial waters differ for civil or commercial vessels as compared to Canadian naval vessels?