

MTD Equity Sdn. Bhd. and MTD Chile S.A.

v

Republic of Chile

(ICSID Case No. ARB/01/07)

Procedural Order No. 1

Considering:

that the Tribunal has been reconstituted recently,

that upon becoming reconstituted, it became aware of a controversy between the parties on the effect of the suspension of the proceeding on time limits for filing pleadings,

that, in accordance with the Minutes of the first session of the Tribunal, the scheduled deadline for the Respondent to submit its Counter-Memorial was February 1, 2003,

that, since February 1, 2003 was not a business day, such time limit falls on the next subsequent business day, *i.e.*, February 3, 2003,

that on the occasion of correspondence exchanged by the parties on the issue of the schedule for the exchange of written pleadings, the Claimant expressed in its letter of January 10, 2003 the intention to submit a detailed response to the views expressed by the Respondent in its letter of December 26, 2002,

that the proceeding has now resumed as of January 29, 2003,

the Tribunal has decided:

to request the parties to present any observations on the effect of the suspension of the proceeding on time limits for filing pleadings no later than February 14, 2003; and

to decide on the schedule for the exchange of written pleadings by February 21, 2003.

On behalf of the Tribunal

[Signed]

Andrés Rigo Sureda
President of the Tribunal

February 3, 2003