[2000] Australian International Law Journal

CASE CONCERNING APPLICATION OF THE CONVENTION ON THE PREVENTION AND PUNISHMENT OF THE CRIME OF GENOCIDE (Croatia v Yugoslavia)

This case is still pending.1

Following a request by Croatia, the Court by Order on 27 June 2000 extended by a further period of six months the time-limit for the filing of Croatia's Memorial. Similarly, Yugoslavia had asked the Court for an extension of its time-limit for the filing of the Counter-Memorial by the same further period if the Court granted Croatia its request. The new time limits are 14 March 2001 and 16 September 2002 respectively.

CROATIA'S APPLICATION

In its Application, Croatia made a number of claims against Yugoslavia, alleging that Yugoslavia had violated the 1948 Genocide Convention and committed ethnic cleansing, *inter alia*. Additionally, Croatia claimed that Yugoslavia had committed aggression against Croatia, including the conduct of paramilitary and military activities in and against Croatia.

As a result, Croatia asked the Court to adjudge and declare that:

- 1. Yugoslavia had breached its legal obligations towards Croatia under the Genocide Convention; and
- 2. Yugoslavia had an obligation to pay to Croatia, in its own right and as *parens patriae* for its citizens, reparations for damages to persons and property, including damage to the Croatian economy and environment.

¹ For background information on this case, refer [1999] Australian International Law Journal 341-343.