



THE 2025 MANFRED LACHS SPACE LAW MOOT COURT COMPETITION

INTERNATIONAL COURT OF JUSTICE

RESPONSES TO REQUESTS FOR CLARIFICATION

Admetus

v .

Cronus

1. Have Cronus and Admetus registered Atlas and Helios in the Master International Frequency Register (MIFR)?

***Both Atlas and Helios are registered in the MIFR. Helios is registered by Admetus. Further clarification is declined.***

2. What are the circumstances that gave rise to the armed conflict between Admetus and Cronus? (Does either State provide a justification for their use of force? Which State was the first to use force in this specific conflict?)

***See Agreed Statement of Facts, paragraph 4. Further clarification is declined.***

3. Page 7, paragraph 19 mentions the capture operation done by Cronus. Was this operation conducted via Atlas, since no space object has been mentioned in the paragraph?

***This operation was not conducted via Atlas.***

4. What was the other states' response or reaction to Admetus' requests at paragraph 10 calling on states not to provide "relevant satellite services" to Cronus and "to ensure that commercial satellites under their jurisdiction and/or control would not provide such services": did these states abstain from, reject, or support Admetus' requests?

***Clarification is declined.***



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5. Whether the reference to " ... conducting its RPO test against the 'Atlas cancellation satellite' " in paragraph 24(c) and paragraph 25(c) is correct? Paragraph 17 states that the RPO test was conducted against Admetus's defunct satellite, not the Atlas constellation satellite. Does this mean there is an error in paragraph 24(c) that needs to be corrected?

***Thank you for this question. To avoid confusion, paragraphs 24(c) and 25(c) are clarified as follows:***

***24(c): Admetus' actions of jamming and approaching the Atlas Constellation satellite and conducting an RPO test against its defunct satellite were consistent with international law; and Admetus is not liable for any damage to the Atlas Constellation.***

***25(c): Admetus' actions of jamming and approaching the Atlas Constellation satellite and conducting an RPO test against its defunct satellite were in violation of international law, and Admetus is liable for all damage to the Atlas Constellation.***