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Press Release

IMO SECRETARY-GENERAL LIM VISITS THE TRIBUNAL

President Jin-Hyun Paik welcomed Mr Kitack Lim, Secretary-General of the International Maritime Organization, to the Tribunal today, inviting him to sign the Tribunal's guest book and accompanying him on a tour of the building.



The visit provided an opportunity for an exchange of views on matters of common concern to the two organizations. The President drew Mr Lim's attention to the Tribunal's jurisdiction in maritime matters and referred to cases on the Tribunal's docket which have had a direct impact on the shipping industry, in particular disputes concerning the arrest and detention of vessels and their crews. In this context, he indicated that the hearing in the *M/V "Norstar" Case* - relating to a claim for compensation for the allegedly unlawful detention of a vessel - will open on 10 September 2018. During the visit, President Paik and Secretary-General Lim also expressed their intention to develop the cooperation between the two organizations.

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