ITLOS Orders Release of Argentine Ship

On December 15, 2012, one phase of the dispute between the Argentine Republic and the Republic of Ghana over the "seizure" of the Argentine frigate *ARA Libertad* while in a Ghanaian port came to an end, when the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea (ITLOS) in Hamburg, Germany ordered Ghana to "forthwith and unconditionally release the frigate *ARA Libertad*" and to "ensure that the frigate *ARA Libertad*, its Commander and crew are able to leave the port of Tema and the maritime areas under the jurisdiction of Ghana, and … that the frigate *ARA Libertad* is resupplied to that end." (See Order of 15 December 2012).

See the posts of

- Craig H. Allen at *Opiniojuris*
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- Michael Waibel at *EJIL:Talk*!