TYPICAL PROCEDURE OF AN SICC ACTION COMMENCED BY ORIGINATING APPLICATION*

Claimant files Originating Application ("OA")

The OA must be in Form 5 and must be accompanied by a copy of the written jurisdiction agreement to which the claimant and defendant are party. The OA must also be accompanied by a Claimant's Statement in Form 6. The claimant may, when filing the OA, file an offshore case declaration. (SICC Rules O 4, r 1(1)–(4), r 4).

Claimant serves the OA on the defendant

Service to be effected in accordance with SICC Rules O 5, r 1.

Defendant files the Defendant's Statement

The Defendant's Statement must be in Form 7 and filed within 28 days from the service of both the Originating Application and Claimant's Statement on the defendant (SICC Rules O 4, r 5(1)).

Defendant may apply to dispute jurisdiction of the SICC or to dispute service Application may be taken out under SICC Rules O 2, rr 3(4)(b) or 6.

Action continues if challenge is not made or is unsuccessful Action terminates if challenge is successful

Filing of Case Management Bundle

To be filed at least 7 working days before the first Case Management Conference, and to contain the following: (a) the Claimant's Statement and each Defendant's Statement; (b) any pleadings, memorials and witness statements which have been filed; (c) a Case Management Plan; (d) a Pre-Hearing / Pre-Trial Timetable; and (e) a List of Issues (SICC Rules O 9, rr 3 and 4).

First Case Management Conference

Directions for the progress of the matter, including trial or hearings dates for the action, to be given.

Adjudication tracks

The SICC will order that a contested claim or counterclaim be decided by one of the following adjudication tracks: (a) pleadings; (b) statements; or (c) memorials. (SICC Rules O 4, r 6(1)).

Matter to progress

The matter will progress in accordance with the directions given at the first case management conference.



^{*} Excluding proceedings under the International Arbitration Act (Cap 143A)