NOTICE OF JUDGMENT HAND DOWN

TAKE NOTICE that, on 12 November 2026 at 10:00am UK time, the British Indian Ocean Territory Court of Appeal will hand down judgment in the matter of *His Majesty's Commissioner for the British Indian Ocean Territory v The King (on the application of Mandarin & Ors)* [2026] BIOT CA (Civ) 1.

The handing down of the judgment will take place electronically. No attendance is expected or required.

The Court has directed that, following hand down, a copy of the judgment is published forthwith in the 'Court Hearings and Judgments' section of the website of the British Indian Ocean Territory Administration. In addition, the judgment will, in due course, be published on the website of the British and Irish Legal Information Institute ('BAILII').

The Court has further directed that, following hand down, a press summary that is has prepared be placed forthwith in the 'Court Hearings and Judgments' section of the website of the British Indian Ocean Territory Administration. The purpose of the press summary is to assist in understanding the decision of the Court. It does not form part of the decision or the reasons for the decision. The only authoritative document is the full judgment of the Court.

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Following judgment hand down, the judgment and press summary will also be available, on request, from the Registry, contactable via **registrarbiotcourtofappeal@harcourtchambers.co.uk**

The Commissioner for the British Indian Ocean Territory is directed to place a copy of this notice, forthwith in the 'Court Hearings and Judgments' section of the British Indian Ocean Territory Administration Website.

J.R.Bennett

Registrar

Dated: 4 November 2026