Memo

2014 Jessup Competition Iraq National Qualifying Rounds – Rules Supplement

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Rule One

The 2014 Jessup Iraq Qualifying Rounds will be conducted in English. Memorials will need to be prepared and submitted in English, and oral rounds of the Competition will be conducted in English. It is therefore important that each team, and each judge, prepare accordingly.

Rule Two

By agreement reached during the Iraq Law School Dean's Council Conferences conducted in Sulaymaniyah on August 26-27 and again in Erbil on September 4, 2013, the 2014 Jessup Iraq Qualifying Rounds, and everything leading up to the Qualifying Rounds, will be financed by each participant law school.

Rule Three

The 2014 Jessup Iraq Administrator will arrange for a minimum of two workshops to be conducted for the benefit of participating law school teams and their coaches. One workshop will be conducted in Baghdad (Nov. 30), and another will be conducted in Erbil (Dec. 5). The purpose of these workshops will be to orient coaches and teams to the 2014 Jessup Rules; Schedule; Basic Research and Drafting of the Memorials; and Making Oral Presentations.

Rule Four

The 2014 Jessup Iraq Administrator will arrange for a workshop for judges and bailiffs to be held and conducted in the day or two prior to conducting the Qualifying Rounds. Dates will be determined, but are anticipated to be from mid to late January 2014.

Rule Five

The 2014 Jessup Iraq Qualifying Rounds will result in no more than two teams (the competition winner and a team selected to be an Exhibition Team) to be sent to participate in the White & Case International Rounds in Washington, DC – April 6-12, 2014, dependent on the availability of appropriate funding levels and at ILSA's discretion.

Rule Six

Official Rules 6.2.4 is modified for the 2014 Jessup Iraq Qualifying Rounds. All parts of all written memorials to be submitted in Times New Roman 12 Point Font, including the cover page, page numbers, and body text.

Rule Seven

Because this is the first year for Iraq to conduct the Jessup Competition in English, the 2014 Jessup Iraq Qualifying Competition will allow each side, Applicant and Respondent, a total of 50 minutes to present its arguments, for a total match time of 100 minutes. Each team may still allot their 50 minutes as they wish, reserving time for rebuttal as necessary. Teams advancing to the International Rounds should be aware they will not receive additional time at the International Rounds.