

**Afghanistan National Rules Supplement  
2015 Philip C. Jessup International Law  
Moot Court Competition**

In accordance with official Rules 1.5, the Afghanistan National Rules Supplement to the Official Rules of the 2015 Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition (hereinafter the Afghan Supplement) has been adopted by the Afghanistan National Administrator and approved by Executive Director of the International Law Students Association. All capitalized terms are as defined or used in the Official Rules of the 2015 Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition (Official Rules) unless defined differently herein. The Afghanistan National Jessup Competition is administered by the University of Washington Legal Education Support Program-Afghanistan (LESPA) with funding from the US Department of State-INL.

**I. Submission of Memorials supplement to Official Rule 6.1:**

Article 1: Applicant and Respondent Memorials must be uploaded to the ILSA Executive Office via the Team homepage and emailed to the Afghanistan National Administrator (hereinafter the National Administrator) at [mfs\\_afghan@yahoo.com](mailto:mfs_afghan@yahoo.com) no later than 03:59 pm local time on 14 January 2015.

Article 2: The National Administrator will not submit the memorials to ILSA. This is every team's responsibility to upload their memorials via the Team Homepage and email them to the National Administrator in accordance with Article 1.

**II. Memorial Penalties supplement to Official Rule 11.1:**

Article 3: Memorials submitted after the national deadline may incur five (5) penalty points for the first day of tardiness and two (2) penalty points per day thereafter.

Article 4: A team may be disqualified from the National Competition if it fails to submit both Applicant and Respondent memorials before 3:59 pm local time on 20 January 2015.

Article 5: Memorial penalties that are not mentioned in the Afghan Supplement will be regulated by the Official Rules.

**III. Afghanistan National Rounds of the Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition (hereinafter the National Competition):**

Article 6: The National Competition shall take place between 31 January and 4 February 2015 in Kabul, Afghanistan. The National Administrator shall be entitled to make any necessary changes to the above-mentioned schedule based on the availability of judges and security. The National Administrator will notify teams immediately in the event of any changes to the dates and the location of the National Competition.

Article 7: Each registered team that submits both an Applicant and a Respondent Memorial no later than the date specified in Article 4 will be eligible to compete in the National Competition.

Article 8: The National Administrator will endeavor to have each National Round judged by a panel of three judges. In the event of an emergency, the National Administrator is authorized to substitute a panel of two judges for any or all rounds, except for the Final National Round which requires three judges. In the event of a two judge panel, the oral round shall be scored consistent with Official Rule 10.6.

Article 9: All eligible teams, regardless of the number of years the represented university has participated in the Jessup previously, will compete together in the National Rounds. The National Rounds will consist of four rounds for each team: two for Applicant and two for Respondent.

Article 10: The two teams with the highest Total Raw Score (Total Memorial Raw Score plus Total Oral Raw Score) will compete in a Final National Round. In the event of a tie between three or more teams for the highest Total Raw Score, the two teams with the highest number of Round Points will compete in the Final National Round. These two teams will be eligible without regard to the number of times the represented universities have competed in the Jessup previously. A coin toss will decide which team will be the Applicant and which team will be the Respondent.

Article 11: The Final National Round will be judged by a panel of three judges. The winner of the Final National Round will be the National Champion regardless of scores received prior to entering the Final National Round.

Article 12: An Exhibition Team will be selected from the teams representing universities that have competed in the Jessup three or fewer years (including 2015). At the discretion of the National Administrator in consultation with the designated LESPA representative, selection of the Exhibition Team will be based on 1) Total Raw Score, or 2) the results of a Final Exhibition Round between the two teams representing universities that have competed in the Jessup three or fewer years (including 2015) with the highest Total Raw Score. In the event of a tie between two or more teams for the highest Total Raw Score, the team with the highest number of Round Points will be selected. The method of selection of the Exhibition Team will depend on variables including but not limited to time; security; availability of a suitable venue; and availability of judges.

Article 13: Visas will be applied for and sponsorship will be provided for all travel-qualified team members from the National Champion and the Exhibition Team to attend the International Rounds in Washington DC.

**Additional Rules:**

Article 14: The present supplemental rules do not preclude the application of the 2015 Official Rules unless it has been expressly mentioned here.

Article 15: All Afghan teams participating in the National Competition shall comply with any procedural arrangements made by the National Administrator on the basis of the National Competition's best interest.

Article 16: The National Administrator has the discretion to waive any penalty points mentioned in the present supplemental rules and to provide the authoritative interpretation.

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