**WEST BANK, PALESTINE NATIONAL RULES SUPPLEMENT 2016**

This Rules Supplement has been promulgated by the Administrator with the approval of the Executive Director of the International Law Students Association.

Except as modified by this supplement, the Official Rules of the 2016 Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition shall apply.

1. Administration

The Administrator for the West Bank, Palestine National Competition 2016 is Roxanna Nazari, roxanna.nazari@abaroli.org. Tel +972 59 7426574.

2. Interpretation of Rules

Should any question arise as to the interpretation of this Rules Supplement, such questions shall be addressed to the Administrator. Pursuant to Official Rule 1.7, the Executive Director shall serve as final arbiter of implementation and interpretation of this Rules Supplement.

3. Location and Dates

The West Bank, Palestine National Competition 2016 will be held in Ramallah 30-31 January 2016.

4. Official Language

English shall be the official language of the Competition. The English version of the Compromis and Corrections and Clarifications control in case of any difference with the unofficial Arabic materials.

5. Memorials

Each team shall notify the Administrator no later than 9 December 2015 if it plans to submit one or both memorials in Arabic. The Administrator will make best efforts to have memorials submitted in Arabic scored by bilingual judges.

Each team shall send an electronic copy of the Applicant and Respondent memorials to the Administrator on 13 January 2016.

Opponents’ memorials will be distributed to the teams via e-mail one week before the start of the Competition.

6. Oral Rounds

Each team shall notify the Administrator no later than 31 December 2015 if one or more oralists will be pleading in Arabic.

7. Judges

Judge eligibility shall be determined by Official Rule 5. Pursuant to Official Rule 5.4(f), it shall not constitute a conflict of interest that a judge has attended one of the participating schools. It is specially noted that pursuant to Official Rule 5.4(e) a team must notify the Administrator promptly if it believes a conflict of interest exists or be deemed to have waived the objection.

8. Bailiffs

Bailiffs may be drawn from the members of participating Teams, although the Administrator may make other arrangements where possible. No Coach or Faculty Advisor may time keep. Bailiffs from participating Teams will not handle completed scoresheets.

9. Preliminary Rounds

Each team shall participate in four oral rounds, twice as Applicant and twice as Respondent. Pairings shall be determined by a random draw done by ILSA.

10. Final Round

A final round will be held between the top two ranked teams after the preliminary rounds. A coin toss, called by the first ranked team, shall determine which team has the pleading option. The team which wins the coin toss will have a maximum of 15 minutes to choose which side it wishes to argue in the final round.

11. Results

The team which wins the Final Round will represent Palestine in the International Rounds in Washington, D.C. The losing team in the Final Round will participate in Washington, D.C. as an exhibition team pursuant to the authority of the Executive Director.

12. Penalties

Memorial penalties shall be calculated by the Administrator pursuant to Official Rule 11.1. The team contact of each team shall be notified of any penalties imposed before the start of the National Rounds.

The Administrator has the discretion to apply any penalties relating to the oral rounds pursuant to Official Rule 11.3.

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