

**Afghanistan National Rules Supplement
2018 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 2018 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 2018 Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition (Official Rules) unless defined differently herein. The 2018 qualifying rounds are administrated by Sayed Ramiz Husaini (syedramizhussaini@gmail.com).

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 (available through www.ilsa.org) and emailed to the Afghanistan National Administrator (hereinafter the National Administrator) at syedramizhussaini@gmail.com no later than **5:00 pm local time on 6 January 2018.**

Article 2: The National Administrator **WILL NOT** submits 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.*

I. 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 three (3) 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 **5:00 pm local time on 10 January 2018.**

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

II. 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 **20 and 25 January 2018** in Kabul, Afghanistan. The National Administrator shall be entitled to make any necessary changes to the above-mentioned location and/or 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 semi-final rounds and the Final National Round which shall require 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: If thirteen or more teams qualify to compete in the National Rounds, the four highest ranking teams after the Preliminary Rounds will compete in semi-final rounds. In one semi-final round, the highest ranked team will compete against the fourth highest ranked team; in the other semi-final round the second and third highest ranked teams will compete against one another. For each semi-final round, a coin toss will decide which team will be the Applicant and which team will be the Respondent. The winner of each semi-final round will advance to the Final National Round regardless of the results of the Preliminary

10.1: If thirteen or more teams qualify to compete in the National Rounds, two teams will advance to the International Rounds in Washington DC.

Article 11: If twelve or fewer teams qualify to compete in the National Rounds, the two highest ranking teams will compete in a Final National Round.

- 11.1: If twelve or fewer teams qualify to compete in the National Rounds, one team will advance to the International Rounds in Washington DC.

Article 12: The Final National Round will be judged by a panel of three judges. A coin toss will decide which team will be the Applicant and which team will be the Respondent. The winner of the Final National Round will be the National Champion regardless of the results of the Preliminary Rounds.

- 12.1: Applicant and Respondent memorials will be judged simultaneously during the final round and two points will be awarded for the winning memorial.
- 12.2: Final Round Judge panels will be selected from the pool of eligible and available judges.
- 12.3: The National Rounds will be scored according to Official Rule 10.
- 12.4: Procedure for Complaints:
 - a. The National Administrator will provide information regarding the judging panel to Coaches immediately before the Judges enter the Round. Coaches will be allowed to review the panel and any complaint regarding panel composition based on the Judges knowledge of a team, or known inability to be specifically unbiased to a team, will be made known to the National Administrator.
 - b. Team complaints during a round will follow the Official Rules. All complaints must be made in writing within 15 minutes of the round ending.

Article 13: At the discretion and invitation of Afghanistan Jessup Moot Court Competition and the ILSA Executive Office, a team not qualifying to compete at the International Rounds may be invited by the National Administrator and the Executive Director to participate in the 2018 International Rounds as an Exhibition Team.

Additional Rules:

Article 14: The present supplemental rules do not preclude the application of the 2018 Official Rules unless it has been expressly mentioned here.

Article 15: The Afghan National Competition memorials and oral arguments will be completed and conducted wholly in English.

Article 16: Team Composition should include students from both the university law faculty and sharia faculty. The National Administrator will not accept two teams from one university. The National Administrator will not assist in conducting team try-outs or exams. If a university has concerns they must speak with the National Administrator.

Article 17: 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 18: 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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