

Uzbekistan National Supplement to the 2018 Official Rules of the Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition

The Uzbekistan National Supplement to the Official Rules (the “**Supplement**”) of the Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition (the “**Competition**”) has been adopted by the Uzbekistan National Administrator (“**National Administrator**”), with the approval of the Executive Director (the “**Executive Director**”) of the International Law Students Association (“**ILSA**”).

All capitalized terms are as defined or used in the Official Rules of the Competition, unless defined differently herein.

These Rules shall remain in force from year to year and may be amended by the National Administrator with the approval of the Executive Director.

Supplements to Official Rule 1.0: Organization of the Competition

1.1.1 Administrator of the Uzbekistan National Championship

The National Administrator of Uzbekistan National Championship is Salimjon Yusupov (e-mail: salim.yusupov@gmail.com; telephone: +998-90-950-11-79)

1.5.1 Interpretation of the Uzbekistan Supplement

Any questions as to the interpretation of the Supplement shall be addressed to the National Administrator. The Executive Director shall serve as final arbiter in implementation and interpretation of the Supplement.

Supplements to Official Rule 2.0: Participation and Eligibility

2.3 Team Member Eligibility

- (e) is pursuing his/her LLM degree (after obtaining a bachelor degree) and has not engaged in the practice of law in any jurisdiction after obtaining an undergraduate degree.

2.4.1 National Administrator’s Written Permission Required in Certain Cases

In addition to satisfying Rule 2.3 and 2.4, a person must additionally obtain the written permission of the National Administrator if the person is employed or undertaking an internship/practice at any law firm or governmental body in any jurisdiction.

2.8.1 Absentee Coaches

Upon request from a team, the National Administrator may find or assist with finding a suitable Absentee Coach. An Absentee Coach is to be deemed as Team Advisor, and may be an experienced former Jessup competitor or advisor, who offers his or her assistance to one team over the internet.

If a team is to find an Absentee Coach themselves, they are required to inform National Administrator and include the name of Absentee Coach into Team Advisors list at ILSA’s website, pursuant to Official Rule 3.4.

The scope of Absentee Coach’s assistance is limited by Official Rule 2.8 and 2.9.

Supplements to Official Rule 3.0: Team Registration.

3.1 Team Registration

- (d) Along with registration at the ILSA’s website via online registration form, a team should submit the names of its members and their employment/internship records for the past two years to National Administrator in one letter by e-mail. The deadline for submission of this information coincides with the deadline for registration.

3.6.1. Notification of National Administrator

Uzbekistan teams must promptly notify National Administrator of any changes approved by the Executive Director.

Supplements to Official Rule 6.0: Memorials.

This Supplement replaces Official Rule 6.1(b), 6.2, 6.3, 6.18:

6.1 Submission of Memorials

(b) Each Team must submit its Applicant and Respondent Memorials to the ILSA Executive Office via its Team Homepage (available through www.ilsa.org), and send its Applicant and Respondent Memorials to the National Administrator by e-mail to salim.yusupov@gmail.com, no later than 03.00 (3.00 AM) Tashkent time (GMT +5), on 13th of January 2018. Submission to the National Administrator must occur in a single e-mail message, addressed to the Uzbekistan National Administrator, with both Memorials attached. If one of the Memorials will be submitted late, a Team may separately submit the timely memorial online through its Team Homepage **and** send the timely Memorial to the National Administrator before the deadline without penalty. The official time of submission for the purpose of calculating late penalties is the time each individual Memorial is uploaded to a Team's Homepage, and the official time of submission for the purpose of calculating late penalties at the National Championship is the time each individual Memorial is sent to salim.yusupov@gmail.com.

6.2 Disqualification Deadline

A Team will be disqualified from the Competition if it does not submit both its Applicant and Respondent Memorials by 17.00 (5.00 PM) Tashkent time (GMT +5) on 18th of January 2018. Any Memorial submitted after the deadline for Submission of Memorials as defined by Supplementary Rule 6.1(b), but prior to the Disqualification Deadline, will be subject to applicable late penalties

6.3 Language of the Memorials

The official language of the Competition is English. Teams may not submit memorials in any language other than English.

6.18 Four-Judge Panels at Qualifying Competition

At Uzbekistan National Rounds, the National Administrator shall employ four (4) Judges to grade each Memorial. The National Administrator shall identify the score that is furthest from the mean of all four (4) scores and discard that score and the scoresheet on which it appears. The three (3) remaining scores shall be utilized throughout the Competition for the purpose of determining team match wins and team memorial rankings.

In the unlikely event of impossibility to define the furthest from the mean of all four (4) scores due to equal distance, the lowest score will be discarded.

Supplements to Official Rule 7.0: Oral Rounds Procedures.

7.0.1 Attire

Competing students shall wear business attire during their oral pleads and judges may wear gowns. The wearing of gowns by the competing students during their oral pleading is not permitted.

7.9.1 Courtesy

A judge shall address an oralist as “Agent” or “Counsel”.

An oralist shall, when addressing the Court as a whole use the expression “Your Excellencies”. The President of the Court shall be addresses as “Madam President” or “Mister President”. An individual judge of the Court shall be addressed as “Your Excellency”.

This Supplement replaces Official Rule 7.12, 7.14:

7.12 Spectators

Each Team is allowed to register up to five (5) guests to attend National Championship. Only pre-registered guests would be allowed to enter the venue of the Competition. A guest of the

competing team (or a person in any manner affiliated with a team/student of the same law school) could only be allowed to attend the rounds of invitee, until that team is eliminated from the competition.

The presence of Team Advisors is permitted in the courtroom during an Oral Round in which the Team is competing.

Teams are responsible for ensuring that their spectators do not engage in any disruptive behavior, shall ensure that spectators do not disclose to judges the identity of their institutions, and will not be involved in scouting.

Should the presence of spectators at other round be detected, a penalty (up to 5 points) might be imposed on the Team who invited this person.

7.14 Language of the Oral Rounds

The official language of the Competition is English. Teams may not present their oral pleadings in any language other than English.

This Supplement replaces Official Rule 8.0:

8.0 Uzbekistan National Championship Procedure

8.1 National Championship

Each Team participating in the National Championship shall participate in two Oral Rounds, once as Applicant and once as Respondent. If there are more than four Teams participating in the National Championship, each Team shall participate in four Oral Rounds, twice as Applicant and twice as Respondent. The National Administrator shall work with the Executive Director to decide an appropriate match schedule, pairing procedure, and scoring system.

Subject to provision under Rule 8.4. (a), a Team, which wins more Rounds of Uzbekistan National Championship has a right of advancing to the International Rounds.

8.2 Pairings

The pairing of Teams for National Championship shall be done, in the first instance, by a random draw. Pairings and Memorials of opposing Teams will be distributed to Teams prior to the first day of the National Championship. The Administrator may modify the pairings to account for absent Teams or other contingencies. If Teams must be newly paired, they must be provided their new opponents' Memorials as soon as reasonably possible, but at the very least 15 minutes prior to the start of the newly-paired round.

8.3 Complaints Regarding Conduct of the National Championship

- (a) General Procedure. A Team may submit a complaint to the Executive Director concerning one or more violations of the Official Rules that it alleges materially deprived it of an opportunity to advance to the International Rounds. Such complaint must be submitted to the Executive Director and the National Administrator via electronic mail no later than 24 hours after the conclusion of the National Championship. A Team's allegation, however well supported, that the judges in a given Oral Round reached the wrong conclusion cannot be the basis for a complaint.
- (b) Required Contents of a Complaint. A complaint must include the following information:
 - (i) the Team number, school, and contact information of the complaining Team;
 - (ii) the specific facts constituting the alleged violation(s);
 - (iii) a description of how the violation(s) materially deprived the team of an opportunity to advance to the International Rounds; and
 - (iv) the identities and contact information of any witnesses to the violation(s).
- (c) Prohibition on Discussion of Complaint. Unless directed to do so by the Executive Director, a Team shall not discuss its complaint with any judges or other witnesses to the alleged violation(s) until after the final decision on the complaint is delivered by the Executive Director.
- (d) Exhaustion of Local Remedies. If, at the time a violation occurs, a Team that is aware of the violation fails to bring it to the attention of the National Administrator, and if such violation could have been remedied by prompt action of the Administrator, the Team shall have waived any complaint based upon that violation.

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- (e) Standing. Only a Team claiming that, as a result of a violation, it was materially deprived of an opportunity to advance to the International Rounds shall have standing to file a complaint based upon that violation. Any other allegations of violations shall be treated as comments or suggestions under Rule 8.3(h).
- (f) Investigation of Complaints. The Executive Director will promptly investigate a complaint. Such investigation will focus on whether the alleged violation actually occurred and, if so, whether the violation materially deprived the Team of an opportunity to advance to the International Rounds. Such investigation may entail discussions with the National Administrator, judges, other Teams, and interested and disinterested observers. Even when it is determined that a violation occurred, the Executive Director may conclude that the violation did not materially deprive the Team of an opportunity to advance to the International Rounds.
- (g) Remedy. If the Executive Director concludes that a violation occurred and materially deprived the complaining Team of an opportunity to advance to the International Rounds, he or she shall impose an appropriate remedy, including but not limited to: overruling the results of one or more Oral Rounds; changing the Team declared as the winner of the Round; inviting one or more additional Teams to attend the International Rounds as additional representatives of the country or region in question; or issuing a formal apology to the complaining Team(s).
- (h) No Prohibition on Constructive Suggestions. Teams are encouraged to offer suggestions to the National Administrator or the Executive Director for the improvement of the Competition. Such suggestions shall be promptly acknowledged, although for reasons of expediency, they may not be addressed until after the conclusion of the International Rounds.

8.4 Final Provisions

- (a) A Team, which has been declared as National Champion has one (1) week to give the written confirmation on their participation in the International Rounds. The confirmation should be sent by email to the National Administrator. If the winning Team fails to respond within provided timeframe, the National Administrator, passes the right of participation in the International Rounds to the runner-up Team. The runner-up Team has three (3) days to give their confirmation on the participation in the International Rounds. If the runner-up Team fails to respond within that

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timeframe, the third-ranked Team is to be given the right of participation in the International Rounds.

Ten (10) days after the National Championship, the National Administrator has to inform the Executive Director on the team, which is to participate in the International Rounds.

- (b)** If a Team, which has given its confirmation, nevertheless fails to participate in the International Rounds, the ILSA Executive Director in consultation with the National Administrator may impose penalties that he or she considers appropriate including the penalties affecting the relevant Team members and/or their university's eligibility to participate in the Competition in future.

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