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A) Teams

The Competition is open to recognised Law Colleges and Law Faculties around the world. The participation is limited to graduate Law students only. Students holding a LL.M or other advanced degree in law (SJD, etc.) and correspondent courses are excluded from participation.

Teams from universities worldwide will compete in the competition. Each team shall consist of three students. Two additional students are permitted by the organisers if they are associated with the team as researchers. The inter-change of speaker-researcher status among team members may not be allowed once the team has registered and confirmed the status of individual team members (5 Jan 2011). Each team will be accompanied by one or two academic coaches, which brings the total to 4-7 persons per team.

Coaches are allowed to give general instruction and information (i.e., general lecture on international criminal law); however, they are not allowed to give any instruction or information specific to the problem (i.e., there cannot be any assistance on the memorials). Once the memorials have been submitted, coaches may help students work on their oral presentation; again, they should leave the analysis of the problem to the students.

2) Tournament structure

- a. Teams are welcomed to the Americas/Caribbean ICC Trial Competition organisation on the eve of the first Tournament day
- b. The Preliminary Rounds start morning of
 - i. Every round the teams will be evaluated by an Expert Panel allocating points to the teams, both on their Memorial (this is done prior to the oral rounds) and their oral arguments (the scoring structure).
 - ii. In the event 18 or more teams compete, the six teams with the best overall scores will proceed to the semi-finals.
 - iii. The winners of the semi-

Footnotes can be reduced to size 10 and must be placed at the bottom of a page. You have to be consistent in the way you refer to sources throughout the memorial. Footnotes have to be uniform. Footnotes may not include any other text than the citation itself. A referred document should be easy to find with the footnote. All the sources referred to in footnotes have to be included in the index of authorities. Abbreviations of sources within footnotes are allowed. The abbreviation has to be announced in the footnote itself or in the index of authorities. Footnotes count towards the maximum amount of words.

Non-compliance with these rules will result in penalty points. Please refer to part F for the Scoring Structure.

D) Competition Structure

Language of the court shall be only in English.

The duration of each Court session shall not exceed three hours. The break is included in

F) Scoring Structure

Memorials must be prepared in English by the team representing their respective role in the first three rounds. The Jury will have to give points (between 0 to 100). Points will be awarded for:

a) Knowledge of facts and legal principles 20



Example Round Scoring Structure

				Raw	Score
				Memorial Points	Oral Arguments Points
Group A	1 P	2DC	3VC	3 x (0 – 100)	3 x (0 – 100)
Group B	4P	5DC	6VC	3 x (0 – 100)	3 x (0 – 100)
Group C	7P	8DC	9VC	3 x (0 – 100)	3 x (0 – 100)
Group D	10P	11DC	12VC	3 x (0 – 100)	3 x (0

H) Final Note

The organising committee shall reserve the rights to make changes in the rules, which will not be inconsistent with the ICC Trial Competition rules, in case of absolute necessity due to last minute drop out of team etc. However changes made will be notified to the team/teams likely to be affected. In this regard, the decision of the national administrator shall be final.

Questions/concerns? Please address them to