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To all Teams participating in the 2017 German  
National Rounds

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**The German National Supplement  
to the Official Rules of the  
2017 Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition**

The German National Supplement to the Official Rules of the 2017 Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition has been promulgated by the National Administrators for Germany with the approval of the Executive Director of the International Law Students Association (ILSA). It is intended to facilitate the conduct of the German National Rounds.

For this purpose, the Official Rules shall be completed and/or modified as follows:

**Supplement to OFFICIAL RULE 1.0 – ORGANIZATION OF THE COMPETITION**

**1.1 Administration**

The German National Rounds are administered by the National Administrator for Germany:

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**1.7 Interpretation of Rules**

Notwithstanding the Executive Director's authority to serve as a final arbiter of implementation and interpretation of the Official Rules and of any National Rules Supplement, any question arising as to the interpretation of the German National Rules Supplement shall first be addressed to the National Administrator.

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## **Supplement to OFFICIAL RULE 3.0 – TEAM REGISTRATION**

### **3.1 Team Registration**

Each Team is – without any additional fee – allowed to send a maximum of five (5) team members and two (2) team coaches to the German National Rounds. In accordance with Official Rule 3.1(c), the teams must pay EUR 100.00 as additional fee for any additional team coach participating in the German National Rounds. The additional fee(s) must be paid into the following account by 1 March 2017:

University of Passau

IBAN: DE52 7405 0000 0240 2512 49

BIC: BYLADEM1PAS

Reference: 02 11 30 79, TEAM NAME, Jessup National Rounds

## **Supplement to OFFICIAL RULE 6.0 – MEMORIALS**

### **6.1 Submission of Memorials**

Each Team must submit its memorials to ILSA online through the Memorial Submission link found on its Team home page, and to the National Administrator Sebastian Kasper, [jessup-memorials@uni-passau.de](mailto:jessup-memorials@uni-passau.de), no later than 23:00 CET (UTC +1) on 13 January 2017. The submission date specified in the Official 2017 Jessup Competition Schedule does not apply.

Each Team shall mail ten (10) hard copies of both their Applicant Memorial and their Respondent Memorial to the National Administrator no later than 16 January 2017 (date of postmark).

In the event of a dispute, the sending Team bears burden of proof that the parcel was appropriately addressed and mailed. The sending Team shall not be penalized for misdelivery or nondelivery which the Deutsche Post AG or any other parcel service may be held responsible for.

### **6.2 Disqualification Deadline**

A Team will be disqualified from the competition if it does not submit both its Applicant and Respondent Memorials by 23:00 CET (UTC +1) on 27 January 2017 by mail, upload and hard copy. The disqualification date specified in the Official 2017 Jessup Competition Schedule does not apply.

### **6.4(c) Printing**

Any hard copies must be printed on standard size paper (DIN A4).

### **6.17 and 6.18 Four-Judge Panels at the German National Rounds and Three-Judge Panels at Qualifying competitions**

In accordance with Official Rule 6.18 Sentence 5 the four-judge panel International Rounds evaluation method (Official Rule 6.17) will apply to the German National Rounds. 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.

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. 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 extenuating circumstance that the German National Administrator cannot acquire sufficient judges to grade each memorial four times, Official Rule 6.18 applies. The Teams participating in the German National Rounds will be informed about this without delay.

## **Supplement to OFFICIAL RULE 8.0 – QUALIFYING COMPETITION PROCEDURES**

The German national Rounds will consist of Preliminary Rounds, Quarterfinal Rounds, Semifinal Rounds, Match for Third Place and the German National Championship Round.

### **8.2 Pairings**

For the purpose of pairings in the Preliminary Rounds, the Teams participating in the German National Rounds shall be divided into four groups (“Groups”). Each Group consists of a quarter of all Teams participating in the German National Rounds. If the number of Teams participating is not divisible by four (4), firstly, the number of Teams in Group 1 will be increased by one Team, then Group 2, etc. The Groups will be formed based on the Teams’ Memorial ranking. The first Group consists of the best ranked quarter of Teams, the second Group of the next ranked quarter, etc. For the purpose of pairings only, memorial penalties shall not be taken into consideration.

Example for 21 Teams are participating:

Group 1: Teams ranked 1-6

Group 2: Teams ranked 7-11

Group 3: Teams ranked 12-16

Group 4: Teams ranked 17-21

Each Team shall compete against one Team out of each Group once, competing twice as Applicant and twice as Respondent. The pairings will be determined by drawing lots.

The German National Administrator may modify the pairings to account for absent Teams or other contingencies if this is in the best interest of the competition.

Pairings and Memorials of opposing Teams will be distributed to Teams in the afternoon/evening prior to the first day of the German National Rounds. Teams will not receive information about Memorial scores or rankings.

### **8.6 Pleading Option**

Prior to the commencement of the Advanced Rounds, each advancing Team will be given its completed master Team scoresheet from the Preliminary Rounds, but not individual judges’ scoresheets or notes. In the Quarter Final Rounds, the higher-ranking Team from the Preliminary Rounds shall have the right to choose which side it will argue. This right is called the “pleading option.” If the right is not exercised within 20 minutes after receiving the scoresheets, the right switches to the opposing team for also 20 minutes. If no decision was made either, the National Administrator tosses a coin with the higher-ranked team in the Preliminary Rounds representing Applicant if the coin shows heads and the lower-ranked team representing Applicant if the coin shows tails.

The pleading option in the Semi-Finals, the Match for Third Place and the German National Championship Round shall be determined by tossing a coin (OFFICIAL RULE 8.6 (c) (i)). A designated Team Member of the higher ranking Team from the Preliminary Rounds will call the toss, and the Administrator will toss the coin. If the Team Member correctly calls the toss, then his or her Team will have the pleading option. If that Team Member does not correctly call the toss, then the opposing Team will have the pleading option.

## **Supplement to OFFICIAL RULE 9.0 – INTERNATIONAL PAIRING PROCEDURES**

If, with the approval of the Executive Director, two (2) German Teams are allowed to take part in the International Rounds, the National Champion and the National Runner-Up shall be the national representatives. If three (3) German Teams have the right to proceed to the International Rounds, the

National Champion, the National Runner-Up and the Third-Place Team shall represent Germany. The Third-Place Team is the winner of the Match for Third Place.

## **Supplement to OFFICIAL RULE 11.0 – PENALTIES**

### **11.1 Memorial Penalties**

In addition to the penalties laid down in the Official Rules, the National Administrator may impose penalties for violations of the German National Rules Supplement as follows:

- 6.1 Insufficient number of hard copies: Up to three (3) points, depending on severity
- 6.4 Wrong paper size for hard copies: Up to three (3) points, depending on severity

In accordance with Official Rule 11.1, the National Administrator will notify affected Teams of imposed Memorial Penalties via their Contact Person no later than 1 February 2017. A Team may appeal any Penalty imposed against its Memorials in writing to the National Administrator until 23:00 CET (UTC +1) on 15 February 2017, indicating reasons for reconsideration of the case (“Appeal Deadline”). The Executive Director shall decide upon the validity of any appeal from the imposition of a Memorial Penalty by the National Administrator.

Should the Appeal Deadline lapse without further action on the part of the Team, no belated appeal will be deemed admissible.

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(National Administrator)