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1. Interpretation

The following terms as used in these Rules have the corresponding meanings: -

“Advanced Oral Rounds” means knockout or elimination rounds where top-performing Teams from Qualifying Round will advance to Quarter-Final Oral Rounds, Semi-Final Oral Rounds and the Final Oral Round for the Moot Court Competition.

“Award” means Perpetual Trophy, cash rewards, sponsorship and/or training by MOSTI in preparation for the Manfred Lachs Space Law Moot Court Competition Asia Pacific Round.

“Appellant” means the side of the Team arguing on behalf of the Appellant at any given point in the Moot Court Competition.

“Asia Pacific Round” means the Manfred Lachs Space Law Moot Court Competition Asia Pacific Round held in any determined Asia Pacific country.

“Clarifications to the Moot Problem” means the official clarifications to the Problem for the Moot Court Competition.

“In-Person Moot” means a Moot at which the judges and the Teams are all present in the same room.

“Match” means a single competitive pairing involving one Appellant and one Respondent and includes a Moot and comparison of the Memorial scores of the Teams.

“Member” means any members of a Participating Team from the Participating Institution.

“Memorials” means the written pleadings of each Team for both Appellant and Respondent, written and submitted for the purpose of the Moot Court Competition.

“Moot” means a single oral presentation between two Teams, one representing the Appellant and one representing the Respondent In-Person Moot.

“Mooter” means a Participant from a Participating Institution in the Moot Court Competition either representing as Appellant or Respondent In-Person Moot.



“Moot Court Competition” means the 1st Malaysia Space Law Moot Court Competition (PMPA 2025).

“MOSTI” means the Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation, Malaysia.

“Oral Rounds” means Advanced Oral Rounds as the context dictates.

“Organisers” means the Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation (MOSTI), Malaysia and the Universiti Sains Islam Malaysia (USIM) responsible for supervising, administering, and ensuring compliance with the Rules of the Moot Court Competition.

“Participant” means any Members of a Participating Team who must be actively enrolled and registered students with the Participating Institution, both accredited public and private higher academic institutions in Malaysia that offer an LL. B undergraduate degree or equivalent degree.

“Participating Institution” means both accredited public and private higher academic institutions in Malaysia that offer an LL. B undergraduate degree or equivalent degree, including those that offer a twinning programme by public or private higher academic institutions in Malaysia with those of outside Malaysia.

“Penalty” means the consequence of a Rules violation.

“Perpetual Trophy” means a recurring cup or shield, that is passed on to the new winning Team of the Moot Court Competition each year instead of being kept by a single winner.

“Qualifying Round” means the Memorials submission phase to determine which Teams from the Teams which participate in the Moot Court Competition will advance to the knockout Advanced Oral Rounds, based on the six (6) Teams with the highest raw scores from the Memorial judges.

“Respondent” means the side of the Team arguing on behalf of the Respondent state at any given point in the Moot Court Competition.

“Reverse Seeding” is a format for the Moot Court Competition where higher-ranked Teams are matched against lower-ranked Teams for the Quarter-Final Oral Rounds in a 6-Team Bracket (example: 1st ranked Team will compete against the 6th ranked Team, the 2nd ranked Team will compete against the 5th ranked Team,



the 3rd ranked Team will compete against the 4th ranked Team) and Semi-Final Oral Rounds in a 4-Team Bracket (example: 1st ranked Team will compete against the 4th ranked Team, the 2nd ranked Team will compete against the 3rd ranked Team).

“Rounds” means Qualifying Round and Advanced Oral Rounds as the context dictates.

“Rules” means these Official Rules of the Moot Court Competition.

“Strategic Implementation Partner” means Yayasan Inovasi Malaysia (YIM) as an entity that collaborates with the Organisers as principal organisations to execute the Moot Court Competition.

“Team(s)” means a Team(s) of eligible students recognised by the Organisers that registers to compete in the Moot Court Competition by Participating Institutions.

“Team Advisor” means an individual, who at any time during the Moot Court Competition has responsibility for organising, advising, or training a Team, whether or not a member of the faculty of the Participating Institution.

“Team Registration Number” means the official 4-digit number assigned by the Organisers to each fully registered Team.

“Team Member” means any eligible student who is registered as a competitor in the Moot Court Competition on behalf of a Team.



2. Eligibility

- 2.1 The Moot Court Competition shall be open to not more than two (2) Teams from a Participating Institution in Malaysia, both accredited public and private higher academic institutions in Malaysia that offer an LL. B undergraduate degree or equivalent degree, including those that offer a twinning programme by public or private higher academic institutions in Malaysia with those of outside Malaysia.
- 2.2 Members of a Participating Team must be actively enrolled and registered students for an LL. B undergraduate degree or equivalent degree with the Participating Institution in the 2025/2026 academic year.
- 2.3 All Members of a Participating Team are not expected to graduate before October 2026. This is to ensure that they are eligible to represent Malaysia in the Asia Pacific Round.
- 2.4 Participants with a professional legal practice qualification or undergoing a professional legal practice qualification cannot participate in the Moot Court Competition.

3. Registration Fee and Additional Costs

- 3.1 No registration fee is required to be paid by any Participating Team from any Participating Institution.
- 3.2 All expenses incurred for the purpose of the Moot Court Competition will be borne by the respective Participating Institutions.
- 3.3 All accommodation and meal expenses for the Participating Teams (as registered in the Registration Form) throughout the Advanced Oral Rounds of the Moot Court Competition will be borne by the Organisers (*see* Rule 7(c)).

4. Necessary Details for Registration

- 4.1 Each Participating Institution is requested to fill in the Registration Form available in the Moot Court Competition website at <https://spacelawmootcourt.usim.edu.my/> and submit it to the Organisers via pmpa2025@usim.edu.my by 11.59 p.m., 6 October 2025.



4.2 Upon registration, the Organisers shall communicate and correspond with the registered representative only. Communication with the Organisers by any other person shall not be entertained.

4.3 The representative is responsible for conveying the Team Registration Number and all other relevant information and materials to their respective Team Members.

5. Team Registration Number

5.1 Each Team will be provided with the Team Registration Number on a first come, first served basis upon registration.

5.2 The Team Registration Number is given to protect the anonymity of the Teams and to ensure no prejudice or bias is shown in the assessment of both Memorials and Oral Rounds.

5.3 The Team Registration Number will be sent to all the contact person of the Participating Teams (as registered in the Registration Form) by the Organisers via e-mail, by 11.59pm, 7 October 2025.

6. The Moot Problem

6.1 The facts that constitute the subject matter of the moot are provided in the Moot Problem. No additional facts may be introduced unless they are a logical and necessary extension of the given facts in the moot problem.

a) Clarifications to the Moot Problem

6.1.1 Any request(s) for clarifications to the Moot Problem must be brought to the attention of the Organisers via pmpa2025@usim.edu.my by 11.59pm, 5 October 2025 in MS Word.

6.1.2 Reply to requests for clarifications to the Moot Problem will be made by the Organisers latest by 11.59pm, 8 October 2025.

7. Format of the Competition

7.1 The language of the Moot Court Competition at all Rounds, including the Memorials shall be in English.



7.2 The Moot Court Competition shall be both Qualifying Round (*ee* Rule 7(b)) and In-Person Moot for the Advanced Oral Rounds (*see* Rule 7(c)).

7.3 The Moot Court Competition shall consist of both submission of Memorials for Qualifying Round (*see* Rules 7(b) and 8) and the oral rounds of Advanced Oral Rounds.

a) Team Format

7.3.1 Each Team from a Participating Institution shall consist of only three (3) Members, comprising of two (2) members as Mooters and one (1) alternate member who can be either Mooter or researcher at the discretion of the Team.

7.3.2 All three (3) Members must be duly registered with the Organisers, failing which may amount to disqualification.

7.3.3 The roles of Appellant and Respondent will be allocated to the Teams prior to the date of the Advanced Oral Rounds of the Moot Court Competition.

7.3.4 Each Team shall have a Team Advisor, whether or not a member of the faculty of the Participating Institution, responsible for organising, advising, or training for the Participating Team.

b) Qualifying Round

7.3.5 Each registered Team will prepare two (2) Memorials for Appellant and Respondent for the Qualifying Round (*see* also Rule 8).

7.3.6 If the Participating Institution decides to send two (2) Teams, the Memorials for each Team from the same Participating Institution shall not similarly resemble the other (*see* also Rule 8).

7.3.7 Six (6) Teams with the highest raw scores from the total scores of the Memorials from the Memorial judges will advance to the knockout Advanced Oral Rounds (*see* Rule 8(f)) which consist of Quarter-Final Oral Rounds, Semi-Final Oral Rounds and the Final Oral Round.

c) Advanced Oral Rounds

7.3.8 There will be three (3) knockout Advanced Oral Rounds as follows: -



i. Quarter-Final Oral Rounds

- 7.3.8.1 At the end of the Qualifying Round (*see* Rule 7(b)), six (6) Teams with the highest raw scores from the total scores of the Memorials from the Memorial judges from the Qualifying Round will advance to the knockout Quarter-Final Oral Rounds In-Person Moot. (*see* Rule 12.6)
- 7.3.8.2 To determine which Team will be competing against another, the Organisers will use the “Reverse Seeding” format within a single-elimination bracket where higher-ranked teams are matched against lower-ranked teams for the Quarter-Final Oral Rounds in a 6-Team Bracket (example: 1st ranked Team will compete against the 6th ranked Team, the 2nd ranked Team will compete against the 5th ranked Team, the 3rd ranked Team will compete against the 4th ranked Team) (*see* also Rule 8.5.18).
- 7.3.8.3 To determine which Team will represent the Appellant or the Respondent, it shall be determined by a coin toss. The Team wins the coin toss shall be given the opportunity to choose its side whether to represent as the Appellant or the Respondent for the knockout Quarter-Final Oral Rounds.
- 7.3.8.4 Exchange of Memorials of the six (6) qualified Teams for the knockout Quarter-Final Rounds to its opposing Team will be made by the Organisers after the determination of pairing and role played immediately after the announcement of the Quarter-Final Oral Rounds for the Advanced Oral Rounds and in accordance with Rules 7.3.8.1, 7.3.8.2 and 7.3.8.3. The conduct and method of Exchange of Memorials will be notified by the Organisers.

ii. Semi-Final Oral Rounds

- 7.3.8.5 At the end of the knockout Quarter-Final Oral Rounds, the winners for every court room (*see* Rule 12.6) and the highest oral scores among the losing Teams in all court rooms (*see* Rule 12.7) shall be the top four (4) Teams shall advance to the knockout Semi-Final Oral Rounds (*see* also Rules 12.9 and 12.10).
- 7.3.8.6 To determine which Team will be competing against another, the Organisers will use the “Reverse Seeding” format within a single-elimination bracket where higher-ranked teams are matched against



lower-ranked teams for the Semi-Final Oral Rounds in a 4-Team Bracket (example: 1st ranked Team will compete against the 4th ranked Team, the 2nd ranked Team will compete against the 3rd ranked Team).

- 7.3.8.7 To determine which Team will represent the Appellant or the Respondent, it shall be determined by a coin toss. The Team wins the coin toss shall be given the opportunity to choose its side whether to represent as the Appellant or the Respondent for the knockout Semi-Final Oral Rounds.
- 7.3.8.8 Exchange of Memorials of the top four (4) qualified Teams for the knockout Semi-Final Oral Rounds to its opposing Team will be made immediately after the announcement, determination of pairing and role played for the knockout Semi-Final Oral Rounds.

iii. Final Oral Round

- 7.3.8.9 The two (2) winners of each court room for the knockout Semi-Final Oral Rounds shall compete against one another in the knockout Final Oral Round (*see* also Rules 12.9 to 12.11).
- 7.3.8.10 To determine which Team is the winner for each court room for the knockout Semi-Final Oral Rounds, it will be based on the highest oral scores from the knockout Semi-Final Oral Rounds for each court room. (*see* Rule 12.9)
- 7.3.8.11 To determine which Team will represent the Appellant or the Respondent shall be determined by a coin toss. The Team wins the coin toss shall be given the opportunity to choose its side whether to represent as the Appellant or the Respondent for the knockout Final Oral Round.
- 7.3.8.12 Exchange of Memorial to its opposing Team will be made immediately after the announcement of the winners for each court room and the role played for the Final Oral Round.

8. Memorials

- 8.1 Each Team shall submit to the Organisers Memorials for both Appellant and Respondent, which shall be addressed to the Court of Appeal at Putrajaya, Malaysia (*see* Annex 1).



- 8.2 Memorials shall not in any way identify the Team, its Members, the law school, faculty, university or other Participating Institution except with the Team Registration Number as assigned by the Organisers.
- 8.3 The electronic versions of Memorials shall not have any electronic identification of the Team, its Members, the law school, faculty, university or other Participating Institution.
- 8.4 Only the registered students on the Team may participate in preparing both Memorials, including research, drafting and editing of the Memorials.
- 8.5 Staff of the Participating Institutions including coaches, assistants or advisors should restrict their advice to general matters, such as to a discussion of the issues in the moot problem, suggestions as to research sources, and a general commentary in relation to the organisation, structure, the flow of arguments, format, presentation and style.

a) Citation of Memorials

- 8.5.1 The OSCOLA shall be the style of the citation form for the Memorials for the purpose of the Moot Court Competition.
- 8.5.2 All citations, either the primary or secondary sources shall be in an intelligible form and to be cited fully in accordance with *Rule 8.5.1*.
- 8.5.3 The footnotes shall be typed with 1 line-spacing (single spacing), using Times New Roman, font size 10.

b) Form and Length of the Memorials

- 8.5.4 The Memorials shall be typed with 1.5 line-spacing, using Times New Roman, font size 12.
- 8.5.5 The Memorials shall consist, but not limited to the followings: -
- Cover page: specifying only the Team Registration Number and substantially complying with the sample in **Annex 1** to these Official Rules;
 - Table of Contents;
 - Index of Authorities;
 - Statement of Facts, which may creatively and persuasively restate the facts of the Problem in a way that supports the positions argued in the Memorial. The Statement of Facts should remain faithful to the official facts and present them in a reasonable way;



- Questions Presented;
- Summary of Pleadings or Arguments;
- Pleadings or Arguments; and
- Prayers for Relief

8.5.6 The Pleadings or Arguments and the Prayers for Relief sections for each Memorial for both Appellant and Respondent shall not exceed 2,200 words (excluding footnotes).

c) Memorial Penalty

8.5.7 If a Team's Memorial, either for the Appellant or the Respondent, exceeds 2,200 words, marks shall be deducted from that Team's total Memorial Score of the Appellant or the Respondent (*see* Rules 8.5.6 and 8(f)) respectively based on the following scale:

- 1-5 words in excess - deduction of 1 mark;
- 6-20 words in excess - deduction of 3 marks;
- 21-50 words in excess - deduction of 6 marks;
- 51-100 words in excess - deduction of 10 marks;
- 101-150 words in excess - deduction of 20 marks; or
- above 150 words in excess - deduction of 30 marks.

d) Submission of Memorials

8.5.8 Each Team shall submit their Appellant and Respondent Memorials in MS Words and PDF by email to the Organisers at pmpa2025@usim.edu.my by 11.59pm, 26 October 2025 (MYT).

8.5.9 Each Team shall submit the Memorials in two (2) separate MS Words and PDF files format. Each file name shall only bear the Team Registration Number and role in brackets (e.g. XXXX(A) for the Appellant / XXXX(R) for the Respondent) (*see* Rule 5).

e) Late or No Submissions, Revisions

8.5.10 In the event that any Team fails to submit the Memorials to the Organisers within the deadline as stipulated in Rules 8.5.8 and 8.5.9, the Organisers shall deduct 5 marks for each calendar day of delay from the Team's total Memorial scores.



- 8.5.11 In the event that any Team fails to submit their Memorials to the Organisers on the day of the Moot Court Competition, the Team will be automatically and immediately disqualified from the Moot Court Competition.
- 8.5.12 A Memorial shall not be revised for any purpose whatsoever once it has been submitted.
- 8.5.13 However, Team Members can deviate from the submitted Memorial during Oral Rounds and Teams will be asked to provide an explanation for this and provided that both the opposing Team and the Judges have been duly notified within a reasonable time.

f) Scoring for Memorials

- 8.5.14 Memorials for each Team will be anonymously judged and scored by two (2) or three (3) Memorial judges.
- 8.5.15 The total Memorial score for each Team is the raw score by all two (2) or three (3) Memorial judges for both Appellant and Respondent Memorials (minus any penalty points, if any. *See* Rules 8.5.7, 8.5.10 and 8.5.21).
- 8.5.16 The maximum number of points that each Memorial judge may award for each Memorial is 100 marks.
- 8.5.17 The decision of the judges shall be final.

g) Pairing of Teams and Exchange of Memorials

- 8.5.18 To determine which Team will be competing against another, the Organisers will use the “Reverse Seeding” format within a single-elimination bracket where higher-ranked teams are matched against lower-ranked teams for the Quarter-Final Oral Rounds in a 6-Team Bracket (example: 1st ranked Team will compete against the 6th ranked Team, the 2nd ranked Team will compete against the 5th ranked Team, the 3rd ranked Team will compete against the 4th ranked Team).
- 8.5.19 Exchange of Memorials of the six (6) qualified Teams for the knockout Quarter-Final Rounds to its opposing Team will be made by the Organisers after the determination of pairing and role played immediately after the announcement of the Quarter-Final Oral Rounds for the Advanced Oral Rounds and in accordance with Rules 7.3.8.1, 7.3.8.2 and 7.3.8.3. The



conduct and method of Exchange of Memorials will be notified by the Organisers (*see* also Rules 7.3.8.3 and 7.3.8.4).

9. Composition of Teams and Order for Oral Rounds

- 9.1 Each Team, being the Appellant or the Respondent respectively, will consist of two (2) Oralists comprising of the Leading Counsel (first Oralist) and the Junior Counsel (second Oralist), as designated by the Team or the relevant Participating Institution.
- 9.2 Each Team shall speak for no more than 20 minutes. The Leading Counsel (first Oralist) and the Junior Counsel (second Oralist) for each Team will be permitted to speak individually for up to 12 minutes.
- 9.3 Each Team shall have a maximum 5 minutes of rebuttal and surrebuttal, if any, excluding the given 20 minutes as stipulated in Rule 9.2.
- 9.4 Each Team shall indicate to the Bailiff which Team Members will act as its Leading Counsel (first Oralist) and the Junior Counsel (second Oralist) and how it wishes to allocate its 20 minutes among its Leading Counsel (first Oralist) and the Junior Counsel (second Oralist), as well as the maximum 5 minutes for rebuttal or surrebuttal, if any.
- 9.5 The order of the oral hearing for all Oral Rounds is as follows: -
 - a) Appellant's Leading Counsel (maximum 12 minutes) (*see* Rule 9.2);
 - b) Appellant's Junior Counsel (maximum 12 minutes) (*see* Rule 9.2);
 - c) Respondent's Leading Counsel (maximum 12 minutes) (*see* Rule 9.2);
 - d) Respondent's Junior Counsel (maximum 12 minutes) (*see* Rule 9.2);
 - e) Rebuttal (if any) by either the Appellant's Senior or Junior Counsel (maximum 5 minutes); and
 - f) Surrebuttal (if any) by either the Respondent's Senior or Junior Counsel (maximum 5 minutes).
- 9.6 The court may, at its discretion, extend the time for each counsel, provided that the maximum extension for any counsel shall not exceed five (5) minutes.
- 9.7 Teams may not request extensions of time beyond the five (5) minutes permitted for the rebuttal and surrebuttal.
- 9.8 Either the Leading or Junior Counsel may address the court for the rebuttal or surrebuttal. To avoid doubt, the time reserved for rebuttal or surrebuttal is **not included** in the time for each counsel to speak as specified in Rule 9.3.



- 9.9 Time shall be kept by a court clerk or timekeeper who will remind each counsel by appropriate means when they have: -
- 10 minutes left;
 - 5 minutes left;
 - 1 minute left;
 - 0 minute left;
 - to conclude and end their address forthwith.
- 9.10 In any event that the Participating Team fails to deliver its oral argument in any Oral Rounds, the Team will be disqualified.
- 9.11 Each Participating Institution is permitted and encouraged to arrange its own practice sessions prior to the Moot Court Competition.

10. Courtesy During the Oral Submissions or Hearings

- 10.1 Every courtesy shall be shown to the Oralists during the oral hearing for all Oral Rounds.
- 10.2 Communication between Team members at the counsel table shall be in writing to prevent any disruptions.
- 10.3 All Team members from all Participating Teams and spectators shall avoid all unnecessary noise or any form of inappropriate behaviour which will distract the oral submission or hearings in progress.
- 10.4 Team members seated at the counsel table shall not be permitted to communicate with the spectators, or with any other external person except the judges.

11. Bundle of Authorities

- 11.1 All Participating Teams shall not and are not allowed to submit any bundle of authorities to the judges.
- 11.2 However, all Participating Teams are allowed to use the bundle of authorities or any other relevant documents for their own reference during the oral submission or hearings.



12. Scoring

12.1 Scoring shall consist of two (2) parts:

- (i) the scoring of the Memorials (*see* also Rule 7(b) and (8(f)), and
- (ii) the scoring of the Advanced Oral Rounds (*see* Rule 7(c)).

12.2 The scoring of the Qualifying and Advanced Oral Rounds shall be assessed based on the following:

a) Qualifying Round

12.2.1 *See* Rules 7(b) and 8(f).

b) Advanced Oral Rounds

12.3 There will be three (3) knockout Advanced Oral Rounds which are Quarter-Final Oral Rounds, Semi-Final Oral Rounds and the Final Oral Round (*see* also Rule 15.2)

i. Quarter-Final Oral Rounds

12.4 For the knockout Quarter-Final Oral Rounds, the Moot or oral hearing scores shall be assessed by a panel of at least two (2) judges, but preferably three (3).

12.5 The maximum score for each Mooter or Oralist by a judge shall be 100 points. The score for each Mooter or Oralist shall be the average of the scores (out of 100 points) awarded by the judges assessing their oral presentations. The maximum score for each Team shall be between 200 or 300 points (*see* Rule 12.4).

12.6 The Team having higher scores against its opposing Team in the knockout Quarter-Final Oral Rounds in every court room shall be considered as the winning Team and will automatically qualify for Semi-Final Oral Rounds. In the event of a tie, the winning Team will be determined based on the Teams' raw Memorial scores and further evaluation by the judges and the Organisers, following which the decision shall be final.

12.7 The highest oral scores among the losing Teams in the Quarter-Final Oral Rounds shall automatically qualify for the Semi-Final Oral Rounds. In the event of a tie, the qualify Team will be determined based on the Teams' raw Memorial scores and further evaluation by the judges and the Organisers, following which the decision shall be final.



ii. Semi-Final Oral Rounds

- 12.8 For the knockout Semi-Final Oral Rounds, the Moot or oral hearing scores shall be assessed by a panel of at least two (2) judges, but preferably three (3).
- 12.9 The maximum score for each Mooter or Oralist by a judge shall be 100 points. The score for each Mooter or Oralist shall be the average of the scores (out of 100 points) awarded by the judges assessing their oral presentations. The maximum score for each Team shall be between 200 and 300 points (*see* Rule 12.8).
- 12.10 The Team having higher oral scores against its opposing Team for every court room in the knockout Semi-Final Oral Rounds shall be considered as the winning Team. In the event of a tie, the winning Team will be determined based on the Teams' raw Memorial scores and further evaluation by the judges and the Organisers, following which the decision shall be final (*see* Rule 7(c)(ii)).
- 12.11 The winning Teams from the respective knockout Semi-Final Oral Rounds shall then advance to the Final Oral Round.

iii. Final Oral Round

- 12.12 For the knockout Final Oral Rounds, the Moot or oral hearing scores shall be assessed by a panel of five (5) judges.
- 12.13 The maximum score for each Mooter or Oralist by a judge shall be 100 points. The score for each Mooter or Oralist shall be the average of the scores (out of 100 points) awarded by the judges assessing their oral presentations. The maximum score for each Team shall be 500 points.
- 12.14 The Team with the highest oral hearing scores in the Final Oral Round will be declared as the winner for the Moot Court Competition. In the event of a tie, the winner will be determined based on the Teams' raw Memorial scores and further evaluation by the judges and the Organisers, following which the decision shall be final (*see* Rule 7(c)(iii)).
- 12.15 The decision of the judges shall be final.

13. Awards

- 13.1 The Organisers will award the followings after the end of the Moot Court Competition: -



a) Winner

- 13.1.1 The winner of the Moot Court Competition shall be awarded with a Perpetual Trophy, cash rewards, including sponsorship to represent Malaysia to Manfred Lachs Space Law Moot Court Competition Asia Pacific Round in 2026 as well as sponsored training by MOSTI in preparation for the Manfred Lachs Space Law Moot Court Competition, Asia Pacific Round.

b) Best Mooter

- 13.1.2 The top Oralist with the highest individual total oral scores in the Final Oral Round of the Moot Court Competition shall be adjudged the Best Mooter and shall be awarded a certificate and cash prize.

c) Best Memorials

- 13.1.3 The Memorials for both Appellant and Respondent with the highest scores out of 200 or 300 of the Memorial judges (*see* Rule 8(f)) shall be adjudged the Best Memorial for both Appellant and Respondent and the Teams that submitted the Memorial for both Appellant and Respondent shall be awarded a certificate and cash prize.

14. Video Recording & Photography

- 14.1 By entering the Competition, a Team consents to be the subject of official video recording and photography that may be conducted by the Organisers or persons authorised by the Organisers.

15. Use of Electronic Device

- 15.1 The use of any electronic device such as mobile telephone, laptop, tablet, smart watch, or any other device that in its nature exercises more than one function during the oral submission or hearings is strictly prohibited.
- 15.2 The use of any electronic device will result in the deduction of scores of maximum 10 marks from the said Oral Rounds.
- 15.3 The judge(s) reserves the right to deduct the marks without notifying the Team. Such deduction will be reflected in the scoresheet.



16. Spectators

- 16.1 All spectators alike are to refrain from using use of any electronic device such as mobile telephone, laptop, tablet, smart watch, or any other device during any Oral Rounds.
- 16.2 Photography/Videography by third parties will only be allowed upon express permission from the Organisers.

17. Judges

- 17.1 The Organisers reserve the right to select and appoint judges for the Memorial marking and oral rounds. Judges are carefully selected on a professional basis, taking into consideration his/her experience as well as good knowledge and understanding of Malaysian laws and relevant outer space treaties.

18. Complaints

- 18.1 Complaints can only be made upon the basis of the Official Rules of the Moot Court Competition, as stated in this document.
- 18.2 Complaints must come directly from the Participating Team or official coach of the Team or Team's Advisor.
- 18.3 All complaints shall be directed solely to the Organisers. The Organisers will, as a neutral intermediary, decide on the substance of the claim and the appropriate action.
- 18.4 The Organisers' decision shall be final.

19. Interpretation of the Official Rules

- 19.1 The Organisers shall have absolute discretion to resolve and decide on any questions or issues regarding the interpretation and application of the Official Rules.
- 19.2 The Organisers shall have the authority to interpret and amend the Rules of the Moot Court Competition at any time.



ANNEX 1

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