7th Red Cross International Humanitarian Law Moot (2009)

(An Inter-University Competition for Asia-Pacific Region)
(March 5-7, 2009)

Assessment criteria

A. Assessment Criteria for Memorial

- 1. Knowledge of facts and legal principles applicable to the issues.
- 2. Proper and logical analysis of issues.
- 3. Correctness of grammar, format and citations (including footnotes).

B. Assessment Criteria for Oral Hearings

- 1. Content and Development of Argument
 - Familiarity with law
 - Understanding of legal issues
 - Use of legal authorities
 - Use of policy
 - Awareness of strengths and weaknesses of case
 - Organization of case
 - Conciseness, clarity and comprehensiveness
 - Allocation of time
- 2. Questions from the Bench (2 Proposed Standard Questions Inclusive)
 - Composure
 - Ability to provide direct, responsive answers
 - Ability to perceive and discuss important issues with court
 - Control of discussion, without interrupting Judges
 - Ability to dispose of collateral issues tactfully
 - Ability to return to argument after questions
- 3. Speaking ability and delivery
 - Confidence
 - Mannerism
 - Rapport with the Bench
 - Tone of voice, pace, eye-contact

C. Mark Reduction for Memorial

Memorial will be subject to mark deduction if it violates the requirements as stated under Rules 25-35, which include layout and length of memorial, as well as date of submission.

D. Mark Reduction for Oral Hearings

Any team members, regardless of First/Second Counsel, who mention where they come from (country, city, university, etc.) under whatever reasons and/or circumstances, a fixed mark of **20** will be deducted from the total of 400 of each of the oral hearings.

E. <u>Use of Memorials as Component of Scoring</u>

With reference to the Rules (57-61; 69; 72), under normal circumstances, the memorial score out of 100 will be combined to the oral hearing score out of 400 to come up with a total score out of 500 for each team in the general rounds. In the semi-final and final rounds, however, only the oral hearing score out of 400 for each team will be concerned. The use of memorial score will also be considered under tied case, regardless of rounds in concerned.