



Expert Meeting
With regional and thematic focus
28 June – 1 July 2015, Yaoundé (Cameroon)

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Sunday, 28 June 2015

INFORMAL WELCOME DRINK AT HOTEL LA FALAISE (20:00–21:30)

Attendance of Major-General Hector TCHEMO

Commander of the 1st Joint Military Region, Cameroon

Monday, 29 June 2015

REGISTRATION OF PARTICIPANTS (9:00–9:45)

ANTHEMS OF THE REPUBLIC OF CAMEROON AND THE INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR MILITARY LAW
AND THE LAW OF WAR (10:00–10:15)

WELCOME ADDRESSES (10:15–10:45)

H.E. Mr. Edgard Alain MEBE NGO'O

Minister-Delegate at the Presidency for Defence, Republic of Cameroon

Mr. Alfons VANHEUSDEN

Assistant Secretary-General of the International Society for Military Law and the Law of War

OFFICIAL OPENING BY

H.E. Mr. Edgard Alain MEBE NGO'O

Minister-Delegate at the Presidency for Defence, Republic of Cameroon

PHOTO SESSION, DRINK & PRESS INTERVIEWS (10:45–11:15)

PRESENTATION OF THE *INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR MILITARY LAW AND THE LAW OF WAR*
(11:15–11:30)

Mr. Alfons VANHEUSDEN

Assistant Secretary-General of the International Society for Military Law and the Law of War

PRESENTATION OF THE RESEARCH PROJECT ON INTERNATIONAL LAW IN PEACE OPERATIONS & THE
TABLE OF CONTENTS OF THE FUTURE *MANUAL ON THE INTERNATIONAL LAW IN PEACE OPERATIONS*
(11:30–12:15)

Drs. Marco BENATAR

*Research Fellow at the Max Planck Institute Luxembourg & Advisor for the ISMLLW Research
Project*

RECORDED MESSAGE (12:15–12:40)

Major-General Martin CHOMU TUMENTA

*Force Commander of the UN Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in the Central
African Republic (MINUSCA)*

LUNCH (12:40–13:30)

Master of Ceremonies for the Panels: Lieutenant-Colonel Noel BIDOUNG

Military Advisor to the Brussels Embassy of Cameroon

PANEL I: PLANNING AND INITIATING A UN MANDATED PEACE OPERATION – AFRICAN PERSPECTIVES
(13:30–15:00)

Chair:

Professor Alain Didier OLINGA

International Relations Institute of Cameroon (IRIC)

Speakers:

Colonel Cheik F. Mady DEMBELE

African Union Peace and Security Department

Colonel Abdoulaye NGOUYAMSA

Police Expert, ECCAS

Q & A (15:00–15:30)

COFFEE BREAK (15:30–16:00)

PANEL II: MANDATING A REGIONAL ORGANISATION TO CONDUCT A PEACE OPERATION
(16:00–17:30)

Chair:

Mr. Alfons VANHEUSDEN

Assistant Secretary-General of the International Society for Military Law and the Law of War

Speakers:

Mr. Luke MHLABA

Principal Legal Officer, United Nations Office of the Legal Counsel

Colonel Cheik F. Mady DEMBELE

African Union Peace and Security Department

Q & A (17:30–18:00)

FREE EVENING

Tuesday, 30 June 2015

MORNING PRESENTATION ON IHL TRAINING IN CAMEROON (8:00-8:30)

Speaker:

Major-General Hector TCHEMO

Commander of the 1st Joint Military Region, Cameroon

PANEL III: PROTECTION OF CIVILIANS IN PEACE OPERATIONS (8:30–10:00)

Chair:

Colonel Thomas ENGOLO

Director of Studies, EIFORCES, Cameroon

Speakers:

Colonel Floribert NDJAKO

Joint Staff Armed Forces, Cameroon

Mrs. Karen LOEHNER

Legal Advisor, ICRC Delegation to the African Union

Q & A (10:00–10:30)

COFFEE BREAK (10:30–11:00)

PRESENTATION, Q & A AND DISCUSSION ON GENDER ISSUES IN PEACE OPERATIONS (11:00–12:00)

Ms. Antoaneta BOEVA

NATO Office of Legal Affairs

LUNCH (12:00–13:00)

PANEL IV: CLAIMS PROCEDURES IN PEACE OPERATIONS (13:00–14:30)

Chair:

Dr. Thérèse BESSOMO

University of Yaoundé II

Speakers:

Mr. Bright MANDO

Legal Officer, African Union Office of the Legal Counsel

Dr. Melvis NDILOSEH

International Relations Institute of Cameroon (IRIC)

Q & A (14:30–15:00)

CLOSING CEREMONY (15:00-16:00)

CONCLUDING REMARKS (16:00–16:15)

Mr. Alfons VANHEUSDEN

Assistant Secretary-General of the International Society for Military Law and the Law of War

PRESS CONFERENCE & DRINK (16:15–17:45)

OFFICIAL DINNER (20:00-22:30)

Wednesday, 1 July 2015

POST-CONFERENCE EVENT WITH NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES (ARMED FORCES CEREMONY)
