Xth Seminar for Legal Advisors of the Armed Forces

Galway, Ireland, 6 -10 May 2014

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“Legal Advisors and International Military Operations on the African Continent”

TUESDAY 6 MAY 2014

14.00h-16.30h  Registration at the Ardilaun Hotel, Galway
17.30h-19.00h  Official Opening and Reception, Renmore Barracks hosted by Defence Forces Ireland

WEDNESDAY 7 MAY 2014

09.30h-09.40h  Opening Seminar
Brigadier-General (Ret) Jan Peter Spijk, President of the International Society for Military Law and Law of War

09.40h-10.10h  Keynote Speech
Lieutenant General Patrick Nash (Ret) DSM, Defence Forces Ireland
“Military Operations on the Africa Continent’: Conditions for Success”

10.10h-10.20h  Introduction 1st Working Session
Chair: General Michael Beary,
General Officer Commanding 2 Brigade, Defence Forces Ireland
Theme: International Operations and Challenges on the African Continent

10.20h-11.05h  African Union Mission in Somalia (AMISOM)
Brigardier-General Joseph NDAYISHIMEYE, Chef d’Etat Major Interarmes, Burundi, Former Deputy Contingent Commander AMISOM

11.05h-11.25h  Coffee break
THURSDAY 8 MAY 2014

09.00h-09.10h Introduction 2nd Working Session
Chair: Mrs. Ulrike Froissart, Deputy Director of the Seminar
Theme: Legal challenges and Peace Operations in Africa

09.10h-09.55h Building Integrity and Anti-Corruption - preconditions for success
Colonel (Ret) Nick Seymour, Consultant on Peacekeeping and African Capacity Building, former Chief Military Planning, United Nations Department of Peacekeeping Operations

09.55h-10.10h Questions and Answers
10.10h-10.30h Coffee break

10.30h-11.15h The UN Mission in South Soudan - Legal aspects
LtCol Bart Haverman, former Legal Adviser, Force Headquarters, UNMISS

11.15h-11.30h Questions and Answers

11.30h-12.15h Role of Mil Justice System - Accountability of Soldiers and Commanders during Deployment
Bruce MacGregor LtCol Assistant to Deputy Judge Advocate General Operations, Canada
12.15h-12.30h Questions and Answers
12.30h-13.30h Lunch
13.30h-14.15h Peace operations and the African Charter on Human and People’s Rights
Dr. Marco Odello, Reader in Law at Aberystwyth University (UK)
14.15h-14.30h Questions and Answers
14.30h-15.00h Coffee break
15.00h-16.15h Group tasks
16.15h-17.00h Group presentation in plenary and conclusions by Session President

FRIDAY 9 MAY 2014

09.00h-09.10h Introduction 3rd Working Session
Chair: Colonel John Spiering, Head Legal Department, Defence Forces
Theme: Accountability and Responsibility

09.10h-09.55h International Criminal Court –Update on Decisions and Current Challenges for the Prosecution
Mr. Rod Rastan, ICC - Office of the Prosecutor
09.55h-10.10h Questions and Answers
10.10h-10.30h Coffee break
10.30h-11.15h Command and Control in Multinational operations: State responsibility and ‘Effective Control’
Colonel Ben F. Klappe, The Netherlands
11.15h-11.30h Questions and Answers
11.30h-12.30h Group tasks
12.30h-13.00h Presentation group work, Conclusions by Session President
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**SATURDAY 10 MAY 2014**

Excursion to Bunratty Castle Folk Park in County Limerick and to Moran's of the Weir, one of Ireland's famous pubs with an oyster specialty.

**SUNDAY 11 MAY 2014**

Departure of the Participants