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Brussels, 26 November 2021

Dear Madam,
Dear Sir,

It is with great pleasure that we invite you to participate in the *XXIInd Congress* of the *International Society for Military Law and the Law of War*. This Congress will be held at the Palazzo Vecchio in Florence (Italy) from 10 to 14 May 2022. The central theme is:

Exploring Opportunities for Improvement of International Peace and Security

We gratefully acknowledge the support of the Italian authorities and our Italian Group in organizing this Congress.

As always, we will offer a highly interesting and diverse programme in the English language, featuring internationally renowned experts. Herewith you will find the outline of the Congress programme, as well as the necessary Congress application form. The Programme will be completed and updated in the coming period and sent to registered participants. Furthermore, the detailed programme will be made available on our website in its most current version.

We advise you to take due notice of the reduced participation fee for members and the relevant discount in case of early registration. A membership application form can be found at www.ismllw.org under the 'To become member' section. We are pleased to inform you that despite inflation and a difficult past period due to the pandemic, we managed to keep the registration fee at the level of the fee of the XXIst Congress (hosted in Lisbon in 2018).

Registered participants will receive a list of recommended hotels and a specific booking code to make use of applicable special rates for Congress participants. We strongly advise you to reserve your room at one of the recommended hotels as soon as possible, because between 20 December 2021 and 20 March 2022 these hotels will gradually start giving out our pre-reserved rooms to other hotel guests and room rates may rise significantly after 20 March 2022.

Once we have received and accepted the completed Congress application form and associated registration fee, a final confirmation of registration will be sent by e-mail.

Please note that travel to and from, as well as accommodation in Florence are an individual responsibility. Visa requirements and COVID-19 related restrictions may apply. We advise you to verify these timely.

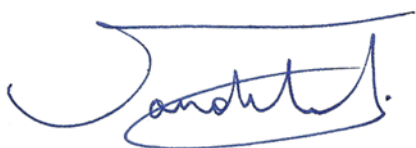
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We will be highly pleased to welcome you and other representatives of your country or organisation at the wonderful Palazzo Vecchio in the heart of Florence, and we are looking forward to a vibrant and international exchange of ideas on several of today's challenging issues in the context of *exploring opportunities for improvement of international peace and security*.

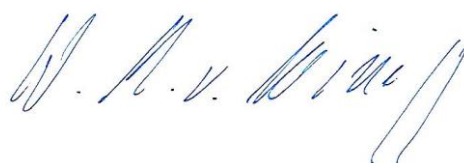
Yours sincerely,

The Secretary-General

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The President

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