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**THIRD COURSE ON INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN LAW OF THE
COMMITTEE ON JURIDICAL AND POLITICAL AFFAIRS**

The Third Course of the Committee on Juridical and Political Affairs on International Humanitarian Law (organized jointly by the OAS Office of International Law and the International Committee of the Red Cross) will take place on Thursday December 4, 2008, in the Libertador Simón Bolívar Hall, 17th St. & Constitution Ave. NW, Washington, D.C. The Course, convened by General Assembly Resolution AG/RES. 2433, is designed specifically for members of OAS Permanent Missions and General Secretariat, providing a basic introduction to the principal norms on IHL and to the rules regulating means and methods of warfare, in particular the application of IHL to cluster munitions and to private military and security firms when these participate in armed conflicts. The course will be held in English and Spanish, with available simultaneous interpretation. (The detailed curriculum contained in document CP/CAJP-2656/08 rev.1 is attached hereto).

The course is open to all members of OAS Permanent Missions, personnel of the General Secretariat and other interested students. However, due to space limitations, interested parties must complete a registration form, online at www.oas.org/dil/ihl_3_course_2008_reg.asp or by fax sending the attached form to 202-458-6029/3293. In addition, please be advised that certificates of participation will be given only to registered participants who attend all sessions of the course. Should you have any doubts or technical problems with the registration, please contact Mr. Francisco Montero at the Department of International Law by email: fmontero@oas.org.