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103rd Regular Session of the CJI

IX JOINT MEETING OF THE INTER-AMERICAN JURIDICAL COMMITTEE WITH LEGAL ADVISERS OF THE MINISTRIES OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF OAS MEMBER STATES

AGENDA

Date: Wednesday, August 9, 2023

I.- Introduction

- 9:30 – 9:40 am. Welcoming remarks by the Chairman of the Inter-American Juridical Committee (CJI), Dr. José Antonio Moreno Rodriguez.
- 9:40 - 9:50 am. Welcoming remarks by the Secretary for Legal Affairs, Dr. Jean-Michel Arrighi.
- 9:50 - 10:00 am. Presentation of the working methodology to the IX Working Meeting by the Director of the Department of International Law and Technical Secretariat of the CJI, Dr. Dante Negro.
- 10:00-10:10 am. Presentation by legal advisers and representatives of legal offices present.

II.- Topics under consideration by the Inter-American Juridical Committee for legal advisers' comments:

- 10:00 - 10:30 am. Presentation by Dr. George Bandeira Galindo: International customary law in the context of the American Continent, [document CJI/doc.688/23 rev.1](#) (Fifth report).
- 10:30 - 11:10 am. Comments by legal advisers.
- 11:10-11:30 am. Break.
- 11:30 - 11:50 am. Presentation by Dr. Julio José Rojas-Báez: Legal implications of the sea level rise in the Inter-American regional context, questionnaire proposed by the rapporteur of the CJI – [document CJI/doc. 698/23](#)

- 11:50 am - 12:30 pm Comments by legal advisers.
- 12:30 pm -2:30 pm Lunch offered by the CJI at Majórica Restaurant, located at Rua Sen. Vergueiro, 11/15 - Flamengo, Rio de Janeiro - RJ, 22230-001, Brazil. (Transportation to the restaurant will be provided to all participants).

III. - Topic proposed by the General Assembly

- 2:30 pm – 3:30pm **Practice and experience in proceedings before the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights and the Inter-American Court of Human Rights**

The General Assembly at its most recent regular session has requested to the Joint Meeting with Legal Advisors to Ministries of Foreign Affairs “to discuss, from an international-law perspective, the practices and experiences of Member States in proceedings before the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights and the Inter-American Court of Human Rights.” [Resolution AG/RES.3005 (LIII-O/23)].

IV.- Suggestions from the Legal Advisers on matters that could be incorporated into the CJI's agenda and proposals to make the relationship between the CJI and the legal offices more effective

- 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm **Private International Law**

In 2022, the General Assembly has requested to the CJI “to continue considering more topics concerning the analysis of private international law on its work agenda in order to reactivate activities related to the development of this area at the regional level and, if necessary, to propose to the General Assembly the updating of some of the legal instruments in this area and/or propose new convention or protocol texts that may be submitted for consideration by the General Assembly that reflect the practice of States and the particular circumstances and specific needs of the region in relation to private international law,” (resolution International Law, AG/RES. 2990 (LII-O/22)).

V.- Other business

- 4:30 pm - 5:00 pm Presentation by Dr. Sarah H. Cleveland, United States candidate for the International Court of Justice (at the request of the Permanent Mission of the United States to the OAS).

VI.- Closing

- 5:00 pm- 5:15 pm Final considerations by legal advisers.

5:15 pm- 5:30 pm

Final conclusions and closing remarks by the Chairman of the Inter-American Juridical Committee, Dr. José Antonio Moreno Rodríguez.

6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Reception hosted by the United States of America in honor of Dr. Sarah H. Cleveland at the JW Marriott Hotel, located at Av. Atlântica, 2600 - Copacabana, Rio de Janeiro - RJ, 22041-001. (Transportation will be provide from Palacio Itamaraty to all participants).

List of participants
IX Joint session with legal advisors

a.- Legal Advisers

1. **Argentina**
Minister Gabriel Herrera
Director General of the Office of the Legal Council
Ministry of Foreign Affairs, International Trade and Worship

2. **Brazil**
George Rodrigo Bandeira Galindo
Legal Advisor to the Ministry of Foreign Relations

Roberta Lima Vieira
Substitute Legal Advisor to the Ministry of Foreign Relations

3. **Chile**
Claudio Troncoso Repetto
Director General of Legal Affairs
General Directorate of Legal Affairs
Ministry of Foreign Affairs

4. **Colombia**
Juan Carlos Losada Perdomo
Director of International Legal Affairs to the Ministry of External Relations

5. **Costa Rica**
Natalia Córdoba Ulate
Legal Director of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Cult

6. **Dominican Republic**
Ambassador Patricia Villlegas
Ambassador of the Dominican Republic in Brazil

Consul Roberto Rubio
Consul to the Dominican Republic in Brazil

7. **Ecuador**
Ambassador Marcelo Vázquez Bermúdez
General Coordinator of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Human Mobility

8. **El Salvador**
Ambassador Luis López Álvarez
Ambassador of El Salvador in Brazil

Ambassador Elizabeth Villalta Vizcarra
Director of Sovereignty
Ministry of Foreign Affairs

9. **Guatemala**
Ambassador Byron Gutierrez Valdez
Director General of Legal Affairs, International Treaties and Translations of the
Ministry of Foreign Affairs
10. **Mexico**
Miguel Angel Reyes Moncayo
Deputy Legal Consultant "A" of the Secretariat of Foreign Affairs
11. **Paraguay**
Ambassador Inés Martínez Valinotti
Legal Adviser on International Law of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs
12. **Peru**
Minister Counselor Gianinna Astolfi Repetto
Head of the International Public Law Office

Juan José Ruda
Specialized Advisor to the Legal Advisor's Office of the Specialized Cabinet
13. **United States**
Mary Catherine Malin
Deputy Legal Adviser, Office of the Legal Adviser, U.S. Department of State

Professor Sarah H. Cleveland
Louis Henkin Professor of Human and Constitutional Rights, Columbia Law
School

Theodore Kill
Attorney-Adviser, Office of Western Hemisphere Affairs, Office of the Legal
Adviser, U.S. Department of State
14. **Uruguay**
Ambassador Dr. Carlos Mata Prates
Diplomatic Legal Adviser and Coordinator of the Directorates of Legal Affairs
and International Law Affairs

b.- Members of the Inter-American Juridical Committee

1. José Antonio Moreno Rodríguez
Chairman
2. George Rodrigo Bandeira Galindo
Vice-president
3. Luis Alfonso García-Corrochano Moyano
4. José Luis Moreno Guerra
5. Martha del Carmen Luna Véliz

6. Eric Patrick Rudge
7. Ramiro Gastón Orias Arredondo
8. Cecilia Fresnedo de Aguirre
9. Julio José Rojas Báez
10. Alejandro Alday González

c.- Officials of the General Secretariat of the OAS

1. Jean-Michel Arrighi
Secretary for Legal Affairs
2. Dante Negro
Director, Department of International Law
3. Luis Humberto Toro Utillano
Senior Legal Advisor, Department of International Law