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**6th Meeting of
PGA's Working Group on the Universality of the Rome Statute of the
International Criminal Court
in the Middle East and North Africa
15-16 October 2014
Parliament of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan
Amman, Jordan**

FINAL PROGRAMME

Wednesday 15 October – House of Representatives:

09.00-10.00 Opening Session:

Moderator: Mr. Sufian Elhassan, *Director of the Research and Information Dept. House of Rep. of Jordan*

H.E. Amb. Tiina Intelmann, *President of the Assembly of States Parties to the Rome Statute for the ICC*

H.E. Amb. Patrizio Fondi, *Ambassador of Italy to Jordan, current Presidency of the European Union*

Hon. Prof. Yusuf Irbec, MP (Turkey), *Member of the Executive Committee of PGA*

Hon. Atef Tarawneh, MP, *Speaker of the House of Representatives of Jordan*

Group Photo with H.E. the Speaker

10.00-10.15 Coffee break, Cafeteria of the House of Representatives

10.15-11.00 First Session: Challenges to the prevention of international crimes in the Arab region

Moderator: Dr. David Donat Cattin, Secretary-General, Parliamentarians for Global Action

Members of Parliament from participating countries are given the opportunity to speak on their countries situation.

11.00-12.45 Second Session: The ICC in the system of international justice and international politics

Keynote Remarks:

H.E. Amb. Tiina Intelmann, *President of the Assembly of States Parties to the Rome Statute for the ICC*

Chair: Hon. Hon. Prof. Yusuf Irbec, MP (Turkey), *Member of the Executive Committee of PGA*

Interactive Discussion among all participants

12.45-13.45 Lunch kindly hosted by the House of Representatives of Jordan, Cafeteria of the HoR

14.00-15.30 Third Session: Developments at the International Criminal Court

Mr. Anton Steynberg, Senior Trial Lawyer, *Office of the Prosecutor of the ICC*

Interactive Discussion among all participants

- 15.30-15.45 Coffee Break, Cafeteria of the House of Representatives**
- 15.45-17.00 Fourth Session: The Role of the Arab model law in the National implementation of the Rome statute**
Dr. Cherif Atlam, *Regional Legal Advisor, International Committee for the Red Cross and Red Crescent*
- Interactive Discussion among all participants*
- 19.30 Dinner** (venue to be announced)

Thursday 16 October – House of Representatives of Jordan:

- 9.00-10.15 Fifth Session: The principle of complementarity and the challenges of implementing legislations**
The experience of Tunisia:
Hon. (Ms.) Souad Abderrahim, MP, Chairperson of the Foreign Affairs Committee, National Assembly of Tunisia; Member of PGA
- Commentary by Dr. David Donat Cattin, Secretary-General, Parliamentarians for Global Action, Adjunct Professor of International Law at New York University (NYU) Center for Global Affairs*
- Interactive Discussion among all participants*
- 10.15-11.15 Sixth Session: The ICC, the protection of civilians and the consolidation of Democracy**
Mr. Anton Steynberg, Senior Trial Lawyer, *Office of the Prosecutor of the ICC*
- Commentary by Civil Society Representative Mr. Suhaib Alsharif, General Manager, Ramallah Center for Human Rights*
- Interactive Discussion among all participants*
- 11.15-12.45 Seventh Session: Discussion among all participants on the outcomes of the 6th Session of the MENA WG Meeting and Plans for Action**
Chaired by Hon. Jamil Nimri, MP (Jordan), Member of PGA
- 12.45 Closing coffee break** with a variety of light pasta snacks, hosted by the House of Representatives of Jordan