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SPEAKERS' BIOGRAPHIES CURRICULUM VITAE DES ORATEURS

Day 1: Thursday, 21st October 2021

Welcome and Opening Addresses

Allocutions de bienvenue et discours introductifs

Ms. Federica Mogherini is the Rector of the College of Europe since September 2020. She co-chairs the United Nations High Level Panel on Internal Displacement since January 2020. From 2014 to 2019, she has served as the High Representative of the European Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy and Vice-President of the European Commission. Prior to joining the EU, she was the Italian Minister for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation (2014), and a Member of the Italian Chamber of Deputies (2008-14). In her parliamentary capacity, she was Head of the Italian Delegation to the NATO Parliamentary Assembly and Vice-President of its Political Committee (2013-14); member of the Italian Delegation to the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe (2008-13); Secretary of the Defence Committee (2008-13); and member of the Foreign Affairs Committee. She also coordinated the Inter-Parliamentary Group for Development Cooperation. Federica Mogherini is a Fellow of the Harvard Kennedy School. She is also a member of the Board of Trustees of the International Crisis Group, Fellow of the German Marshall Fund, member of the Group of Eminent Persons of the Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear Test Ban Treaty Organization, member of the European Leadership Network for Multilateral Nuclear Disarmament and Non-Proliferation, and member of the Board of Directors of the Italian Institute for Foreign Affairs (IAI). She has a degree in Political Science from the University of Rome "La Sapienza". She was born in Rome in 1973, lives in Belgium and has two daughters.

Dr. Gilles Carbonnier is the Vice-President of the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) (appointed in 2018). Since 2007, Dr. Carbonnier has been a professor of development economics at the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies (Geneva), where he also served as director of studies and president of the Centre for Education and Research in Humanitarian Action. His expertise is in international cooperation, the economic dynamics of armed conflict, and the nexus between natural resources and development. His latest book, published by Hurst and Oxford University Press in 2016, is entitled *Humanitarian Economics: War, Disaster and the Global Aid Market*. Prior to joining the Graduate Institute, Dr. Carbonnier worked with the ICRC in Iraq, Ethiopia, El Salvador and Sri Lanka (1989-1991), and served as an economic adviser at the ICRC's headquarters (1999-2006). Between 1992 and 1996, he was in charge of international trade negotiations

(GATT/WTO) and development cooperation programmes for the Swiss State Secretariat for Economic Affairs.

Dr. Knut Dörmann is Head of Delegation of the ICRC Brussels delegation to the EU, NATO and the Kingdom of Belgium since June 2020. Previously he was ICRC's Head of the Legal Division and Chief Legal Officer (December 2007 - May 2020), Deputy Head of the Legal Division (June 2004 - November 2007) and Legal Adviser at the Legal Division (December 1998 - May 2004) (in charge of among others the law applicable to the conduct of hostility, cyber warfare, the protection of the environment, international criminal law). He holds a Doctor of Laws (Dr. jur.) from the University of Bochum in Germany (2001). Prior to joining the ICRC, he was Managing Editor of *Humanitäres Völkerrecht - Informationsschriften* (1991-1997), Research Assistant (1988-1993) and Research Associate (1993-1997) at the Institute for International Law of Peace and Armed Conflict, University of Bochum. Dr. Dörmann has been a member of several groups of experts working on the current challenges of international humanitarian law. He has extensively presented and published on international humanitarian law, international law of peace and international criminal law. He received the 2005 Certificate of Merit of the American Society of International Law for his book 'Elements of War Crimes under the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court', published by Cambridge University Press.

Session One - Keynote Speeches: The Updated Commentaries and their Relevance in Practice

Première session - Conférenciers d'honneur : Les commentaires révisés et leur pertinence dans la pratique

Dr. Jean-Marie Henckaerts is head of the ICRC project to update the Commentaries on the Geneva Conventions of 1949 and their Additional Protocols of 1977. So far, three commentaries have been published: 1/ 2016 - [updated Commentary on the First Geneva Convention](#); 2/ 2017 - [updated Commentary on the Second Geneva Convention](#); 3/ 2020 - [updated Commentary on the Third Geneva Convention](#). Prior to this, he was the head of the ICRC's project on customary international humanitarian law. He holds the degrees of Doctor of Juridical Science from The George Washington University Law School, Master of Laws from the University of Georgia School of Law and Bachelor of Laws from the University of Brussels.

Ms. Camille Faure, Deputy Director of Legal Affairs, French Ministry of the Armed Forces

Mr. John Swords, Legal Advisor and Director of the Office of Legal Affairs, NATO Headquarters

Mr. Eamon Gilmore, EU Special Representative for Human Rights

[TBD]

Session Two - 1st Panel: The Common Articles: Cross-Cutting Interpretation Challenges

Deuxième session - 1^{er} Panel : Les articles communs : questions transversales d'interprétation

Mr. Mikhail Orkin is a Legal Adviser in the Commentaries Update Unit at the International Committee of the Red Cross. Previously, Mikhail was an operational legal adviser at the ICRC Delegation in Israel and the Occupied Territories. Mikhail has diverse legal experience as a legal adviser, prosecutor, and trial advocate. Mikhail has a Bachelor of Laws from University College London, an LL.M. from Tel-Aviv University and an LL.M. in International Human Rights and Humanitarian Law from American University Washington College of Law.

Prof. Dapo Akande, Public International Law Professor, Blavatnik School of Government, Co-Director of the Oxford Institute for Ethics, Law and Armed Conflict (ELAC)

Col Nathalie Durhin graduated in Public Law from “*Sciences Po Paris*” in 1992. She joined the French Air Force in 1995, and got a specialization in International Humanitarian Law. She also obtained a master degree in International Relations and Military Strategy from the Universities of Milan and Rome (2010). She was Legal Advisor (LEGAD) for the Balkans region at NATO JFC Naples (2001-2002), and Chief Admin of Nancy Air Base (2006-2009). She headed the LOAC bureau within the Department of legal affairs at the French Ministry of defense (2010-2013), then the Operational Law section at the French Joint Staff (2013-2016). She was also LEGAD of the Inspector-General for the French Air Force (2017-2019). She has been deployed as LEGAD in Kosovo and Bosnia, two times in Afghanistan, at Naples CJTF for Operation Unified Protector (Libya), and for the French operations Serval and Barkhane in Mali and Chad. In 2016, she has been assigned in New York, as a military expert within the team of the Special Coordinator on improving UN response to sexual exploitation and abuse (SEA). Since September 2019, she is the Operational Law Branch Head within SHAPE Office of Legal Affairs (NATO – Belgium).

Prof. Yutaka Arai-Takahashi, Professor in International Human Rights Law, Deputy-Director in Law; Brussels School of Int'l Studies (BSIS), University of Kent

Session Three – 2nd Panel: The Third Convention: Protecting Prisoners of Today's Wars

Troisième Session – 2^{ème} Panel : La Troisième Convention : protéger les prisonniers de guerres contemporaines

Dr. Elzbieta Mikos-Skuza is a senior lecturer at the Faculty of Law, University of Warsaw, Poland and a visiting professor at the College of Europe in Natolin. Her fields of specialization include public international law, international humanitarian law and peaceful resolution of international disputes. She is the Director of Master Studies on Humanitarian Action (joint studies organized by the consortium of European universities called NOHA – Network on Humanitarian Action) and Postgraduate Studies on Humanitarian Assistance at the University of Warsaw. For many years she has been volunteering with the Polish Red Cross, including the function of PRC's vice-president. She is also vice-president of the International Humanitarian Fact-Finding Commission established under Protocol Additional I of 1977 to the Geneva Conventions of 1949.

Prof. Marco Sassòli is professor of international law at the Faculty of Law of the University of Geneva, Switzerland. From 2001-2003, he has been professor of international law at the Université du Québec à Montreal, Canada, where he remains associate professor. He is commissioner of the International Commission of Jurists (ICJ). Marco Sassòli has worked from 1985-1997 for the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) at the headquarters, inter alia as deputy head of its legal division, and in the field, inter alia as head of the ICRC delegations in Jordan and Syria and as protection coordinator for the former Yugoslavia. He also chaired from 2004-2013 the board of Geneva Call, an NGO engaging non-State armed actors to respect humanitarian rules. From 2018-2020 he has been director of the Geneva Academy of International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights. Marco Sassòli has published widely on international humanitarian law, human rights law, international criminal law, the sources of international law, and the responsibility of states and non-state actors.

Dr Cordula Droege is the chief legal officer and head of the legal division of the ICRC, where she leads the ICRC's efforts to uphold, implement and develop international humanitarian law. She joined the ICRC in 2005 and has held a number of positions in the field and at headquarter, including as head

of the legal advisers to operations, and most recently as chief of staff to the President of the ICRC. She has some twenty years of experience in the field of international law, and in her earlier career worked for the International Commission of Jurists, the Inter-American Court of Human Rights and the Max Planck Institute for International Law. She holds a law degree and a PhD from the University of Heidelberg and an LL.M from the London School of Economics.

Prof. Camilla Guldahl Cooper, Associate Professor, Norwegian Defence University College

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Session Four – 3rd Panel: Fourth Convention Commentaries, Part I: IHL-IHRL, between Complementarity and Interplay

Quatrième session – 3^{ème} Panel : Commentaires de la Convention IV, Partie I : DIH et DIDH, entre complémentarité et interaction

Dr. Kubo Mačák is a Legal Adviser in the ICRC's Legal Division, assigned jointly to the Commentaries Unit and the Arms and Conduct of Hostilities Unit. Prior to joining the ICRC in October 2019, he worked as an Associate Professor at the University of Exeter in the UK. In that position, Kubo taught and researched in the areas of public international law, international humanitarian law, and international cyber law. He is the author of the book [Internationalized Armed Conflicts in International Law](#) (OUP 2018) and of multiple articles in peer-reviewed journals including the *International Review of the Red Cross*, the *Journal of Conflict and Security Law*, and the *Cambridge International Law Journal*. Kubo is also the General Editor of the [Cyber Law Toolkit](#), an interactive online resource on the international law of cyber operations. He holds a doctorate in international law from the University of Oxford (Somerville College), an undergraduate degree in law from Charles University in Prague, and the Diploma of the Hague Academy of International Law.

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Prof. Françoise Hampson, Emeritus Professor, Law School and Human Rights, University of Essex

Dr Mirco Anderegg is the Deputy Head of the Law of Armed Conflict section at the Swiss Armed Forces Staff, advising the Armed Forces on matters of international law since 2017. This section is also in charge of training in international operational law in the Armed Forces and the legal review of weapons, means and methods of warfare. Prior to joining the Armed Forces, Mirco graduated from the University of Fribourg and qualified as an attorney in St.Gallen. He holds the rank of Major and was deployed to the UN mission in Mali (MINUSMA) as a legal adviser in 2020. Mirco is a Co-president of the Swiss group in the International Society of Military Law and the Law of War.

Session Five – 4th Panel: Selected Topics

Cinquième session – 4^{ème} Panel : Commentaires de la Convention IV, Partie II : sélection de thèmes

Prof. Gloria Gaggioli, University of Geneva and Director of the Geneva Academy

Col Christian De Cock obtained Master degrees in the fields of Aeronautical and Military Sciences, Law, Political Sciences, Public Management, and Security and Defense. Having graduated from the Belgian Royal Military School in 1990, Colonel (GS) De Cock served in the Belgian air force as Platoon and Company Commander for the Force Protection Units (1990-1996). After two years of being a

Military Instructor (1996-1998), he taught at the Law Department of the Belgian Royal Military School for five years (1998-2003). He became Legal Advisor from 2004 to 2007, prior to which he joined a course at the Royal Defense College and after which he participated in an Advanced Staff and Command Course at the National Defense College in the Netherlands. In 2008, he took up the position as the Head of the International Law Section of the Legal Department of the Belgian armed forces. From April 2012 till June 2015, he served as the Head of the Operational Law Section, after which he became the Chief of Staff of the Legal Department from July 2015 till July 2016. He held the position as Special Advisor to the Director-General of the Legal Department of the Belgian Armed Forces, after which he became Associate Professor of Law at the Royal Military Academy in January 2017 in the fields of international criminal law, the law of armed conflict and disarmament law. In September 2017, he took up the position as the legal advisor to the Director of the EU Military Planning and Conduct Capability (MPCC). Colonel (GS) De Cock has participated in several operational deployments as legal advisor in Afghanistan (2004, 2006, 2008, 2009, and 2010), during Counter-piracy and Counter-narcotics operations with the Navy, during operation Unified Protector (2011), and operation Inherent Resolve (2014). He is also a member of the visiting teaching staff at the International Institute of Humanitarian Law in San Remo (Course Director of the French Military LOAC Course), member of the visiting teaching staff at the NATO School (Operational Law Course), and guest lecturer at the universities of Ghent, Liège and Tilburg. Colonel (GS) De Cock was rewarded twice the Certificate of Merit by the Military Lieber Society (2008 and 2012).

Prof. Vaïos Koutroulis is professor of International Law at the Université Libre de Bruxelles since 2013. He studied law at the University of Athens and the Université Libre de Bruxelles (ULB). He received his PhD in 2011 for a thesis on the relations between *jus contra bellum* and *jus in bello*, currently under publication from Bruylant editions (Brussels). Vaïos teaches at the *Université Libre de Bruxelles*, the Catholic University of Lille and the Royal Belgian Military School. His courses include law of armed conflict, international criminal law, law of international responsibility, and public international law. He was also an adviser to the Counsel and Advocate of Belgium in the case concerning *Questions relating to the Obligation to Prosecute or Extradite (Belgium v. Senegal)* before the International Court of Justice. His publications focus mainly on *jus in bello* and *jus contra bellum* and include a monograph on belligerent occupation published by Pedone editions (Paris).

Prof. Heike Krieger, Professor of Public International Law, Freie Universität Berlin

Mr. Michael W. Meier currently serves as the senior civilian adviser to the Army Judge Advocate General on matters related to the Law of Armed Conflict (LOAC). He advises on legal and policy issues involving LOAC, reviews proposed new weapons and weapons systems, serves as a member of the DoD Law of War Working Group, and provides assistance on detainee and Enemy Prisoner of War affairs. Mr. Meier is also an adjunct professor of law at Georgetown University Law Center where he teaches courses on LOAC and is a lecturer at the NATO School in Oberammergau, Germany. Mr. Meier previously served as an Attorney-Adviser with the Office of the Legal Adviser for Political-Military Affairs, U.S. Department of State, from June 2009 until June 2016. Mr. Meier served almost 23 years as an Army Judge Advocate from 1986 until his retirement as a Colonel in August 2009. Mr. Meier earned a B.B.A. degree from Midwestern State University, a J.D. degree from the St. Mary's University, a LL.M. from Georgetown University, a LL.M. in Military Law from The Judge Advocate General's School, and a M.S. in Strategic Studies from the United States Army War College.

Dr. Farida El Khamlichi, President of the Moroccan IHL Commission