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Subject: RE: FDI Moot Competition - Appeal for Financial Assistance for Moot Teams

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From: Ian Laird [mailto:ianlaird@comcast.net]
Sent: 13 October 2008 20:28
To: 'Laird, Ian'
Subject: FDI Moot Competition - Appeal for Financial Assistance for Moot Teams

Dear fellow FDI Moot College Members,

Prof. Campbell was very good to give me your emails and I wanted to approach you personally since you are directly involved in making the FDI moot a success as a judge. On Friday, I emailed the entire OGEMID listserv (see below) to make an appeal for financial assistance to some of our moot teams that are in need. Thomas Walde and I are both donating \$200 and a number of you have indicated your support. Thanks very much to each of you.

However, we are still well short of our \$4,000 goal and I wanted to appeal to each of you directly who have not yet given. I know many of you would be interested but may not have read your OGEMID emails yet, or haven't had the time to respond. The moot is fast approaching at the end of the month and it would be great if we could all pull together to help.

Please let us know by email as soon as possible if you intend to donate so we can keep track of what funds will be coming in. (Please email me at ilaird@fulbright.com)

I look forward to seeing you at the moot.

All the best,

Ian

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From: Oil-Gas-Energy-Mining-Infrastructure Dispute Management <OGEMID@JISMAIL.AC.UK>
To: OGEMID@JISMAIL.AC.UK <OGEMID@JISMAIL.AC.UK>
Sent: Fri Oct 10 15:14:47 2008
Subject: FDI Moot Competition - Appeal for Financial Assistance for Moot Teams

Dear Colleagues,

On behalf of the FDI Moot Competition organizers and myself, I am writing to appeal for financial support for some of the teams planning to attend the moot in Boston at Suffolk University Law School at the end of the month. Several teams are experiencing financial difficulties in paying for accommodation expenses. Without some financial assistance, the Teams may not be able to attend the moot. As you know, some teams are coming from less wealthy countries and international travel costs can be quite expensive. It would be very helpful and appreciated if you could help.

We are looking to raise \$4,000 and wanted to make an appeal to the international investment law community to assist those teams that are in need. I am planning on donating \$100 myself and would appreciate donations of any size (\$20, \$50, \$100 or more) to be given for the benefit of the teams requiring help.

- Cheques or Money orders should be made out to "Suffolk University Law School", indicating in the subject/memo line "FDI Moot";
- Ideally cheques or money orders should be in US dollars;
- Please let us know by email if you intend to donate so we can keep track of what funds will be coming in;
- Donations should be sent as soon as possible to:

Julie Crowley,
Director of Budget and Finance
Attention: FDI Moot
Suffolk University Law School
120 Tremont Street
Boston, MA 02108
USA

All funds received will be held by the FDI Moot organizers solely for the purpose of assisting teams in need. If we receive an excess of funds (which I hope we will), a special fund will be established to help future moot teams found in similar situations of financial difficulties in the years ahead. Since each donation is being made through the law school, it is my understanding that it should be tax deductible for US tax payers.

Thanks to Professors Christian Campbell and Christopher Gibson (who are copied on this email) for their hard work organizing the FDI Moot.

Much thanks in advance to everyone for your help.

Yours truly,

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