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Cape Town Convention Academic Project Update

The fifth Cape Town Convention Academic Project Conference was held 13-14 September 2016. On 14 September, a session updating on recent developments with the Cape Town Convention Academic Project was held. Presenters for the session were Jeffrey Wool and Kyle Brown. The presenters discussed the following topics with comments and questions from the audience:

- Changes to the system for Reporting on Administrative and Non-Judicial Activity (RANJA)
 including the collection of reports directly from governments in addition to the existing practice of collecting reports from parties
- A new initiative working with local attorneys in various jurisdictions to produce and publish analysis of RANJAs and cases related to the Cape Town Convention
- An update on the publication of Annotations to the Official Commentary
- An update on the Project's work on creating and publishing instructional materials related to the Cape Town Convention

The slides from the session are reproduced.





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Kyle Brown and Jeffrey Wool

14 September 2016



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Overview

- Introduction
- Reporting on Administrative and Non-Judicial Activity (RANJA)
- Legal analysis of CTC cases and RANJAs
- Annotations to the Official Commentary
- Instructional materials

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Reporting on Administrative and Non-Judicial Activity

- The Project is collecting data on administrative activity
- Reporting is strictly factual
- Reports can be filed by parties involved in the transaction or their counsel
- We're now working with civil aviation authorities to get reports directly from governments
- CAAs from the US, UK, UAE, and Ireland have agreed to file reports following administrative action, and other CAAs are considering participating

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Legal Analysis of CTC Cases and RANJA

- Working with local attorneys and CTC subject matter experts
- Perform qualitative analysis of the raw factual data provided through the RANJA process
- Qualitiatve analysis can help determine whether courts and administrative agencies are properly complying with their obligations under the CTC

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Annotations to the Official Commentary

- With Professor Goode's personal endorsement, the Project issues annotations to the official commentary
- Annotations, while unofficial, are intended to address matters not fully addressed in the commentary
- If we are seeing problems in compliance, annotations can be issued to provide clarity and direction to government officials and attorneys as to what their obligations are

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Instructional Materials

- Problems with compliance are often caused by lack of knowledge
- The Project has prepared Self-Instructional Materials to help educate government officials and attorneys on what the CTC requires
- We're now translating the Self-Instructional Materials into other languages to ensure that high quality educational materials are available to anyone who wants them

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