Arab Spring

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INVITED SPEAKERS AND PANELISTS
Diane Marie Amann, University of Georgia School of Law
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Greta Barbone, No Peace Without Justice
Shabana Basij-Rasikh, School of Leadership, Afghanistan
M. Cherif Bassiouni, DePaul University College of Law
Andrew Beiter, Summer Institute for Human Rights and Genocide Studies
Karima Bennoune, University of California Davis School of Law
Jamel Bettaieb, Tunisian Human Rights Educator and Activist

SCHEDULE
August 25
Arrival of Prosecutors and participants
2:00 p.m. Screening and discussion of the film 500 Years at the Chautauqua Cinema

DAY ONE OF THE DIALOGS
7:30 a.m. Breakfast with the Prosecutors at the Athenaeum Hotel
8:30 Movement to Fletcher Hall
9:00 Welcome by James C. Johnson, President of the Robert H. Jackson Center, and Thomas M. Becker, President of Chautauqua Institution
9:15 Impunity Watch Essay Contest Award Ceremony presented by Andrew Beiter and Alexandra Sandacz
9:20 Introduction of the Keynote Speaker by David M. Crane, Chairman of the Board, Robert H. Jackson Center
9:25 Keynote Address by H.R.H. Prince Zeid Ra’ad Zeid Al-Hussein

August 26
DAY TWO OF THE DIALOGS
7:00 a.m. Breakfast with the Prosecutors at the Athenaeum Hotel
7:45 Breakfast Address by Roy S. Schöndorf, introduced by Mark Quarterman
8:30 Break
9:00 Year in Review presented by Mark A. Drumbl
10:00 Break
11:00 Porch Sessions Israel and the Arab Spring with Roy Schöndorf and Michael A. Newton; ICC/Libya with William A. Schabas and Jennifer Trahan; Responsibility to Protect and the Arab Spring with Michael P. and Paul R. Williams; Gender/Women’s Rights/Children’s Issues with Leila N. Sadat and Diane Marie Amann

INVITED SPEAKERS AND PANELISTS (Continued)
Mark A. Druml, Washington and Lee University and Transnational Law Institute
Michael S. Greco, American Bar Association
Joseph Karb, Director of Teacher Initiatives, Robert H. Jackson Center
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Leila N. Sadat, Washington University School of Law
William A. Schabas, OC, MRIA, Middlesex University School of Law
Michael P. Scharf, Case Western Reserve University School of Law
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Jennifer Trahan, New York University
Paul R. Williams, Public International Law and Policy Group
H.R.H Prince Zeid Ra’ad Zeid Al-Hussein, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan to the United Nations

SCHEDULE (Continued)
10:00 Break
10:30 Reflections by the Current Prosecutors moderated by Michael P. Scharf
12:00 p.m. Movement to the Athenaeum Hotel
12:15 Lunch
1:00 Break and Movement to Fletcher Hall
1:30 Clara Barton Lecture by Shabana Basij-Rasikh introduced by Eric C. Sigmund
2:30 Panel on Legal/Policy Issues Stemming from the Arab Spring Panelists: Greta Barbone, M. Cherif Bassiouni, Jamel Bettaieb, Roy S. Schöndorf, moderated by Leila N. Sadat
3:45 Break
4:00 Movement to the Athenaeum Hotel
4:15 Clayton Sweeney Porch Session A conversation with the Prosecutors and students, moderated by Andrew Beiter and Joseph Karb
5:45 Reception on the Porches
6:30 Dinner
7:30 Katherine B. Fite Lecture by Karima Bennoune, introduced by Diane Marie Amann

August 27
DAY TWO OF THE DIALOGS
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12:30 p.m. Lunch at the Athenaeum Hotel
1:00 Luncheon Address by M. Cherif Bassiouni, introduced by Michael S. Greco
2:00 Break
2:30 Issuance of the 7th Chautauqua Declaration moderated by Elizabeth Andersen