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GNLU Organises Second Edition of GNLU Air and Space Law Academy, 2017

Dear Sir/Madam,

Greetings from GNLU!

The Centre for Public International Law, Gujarat National Law University (GNLU) is organising Second edition of GNLU Air and Space Law Academy in collaboration with the Institute of Air & Space Law, University of Cologne from 16<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2017 (7 days). It has been a constant endeavour of the university to facilitate and enrich the legal fraternity with knowledge of advancement and development in contemporary legal subjects and issues. GNLU from time to time, organises various such academies and Air and Space Law Academy is one such initiative.

The Air and Space Law Academy aims to acquaint participants with various aspects relating to safety and security of aviation and space activities; to enhance understanding amongst the participants of the various principles enshrined in the international instruments meant for regulating air and space law; to create awareness amongst participants about recent trends in civil aviation and the militarization and commercialization of outer space; to enable the participants to understand the various dispute redressal mechanisms in Air and Space Law and their efficacy; to facilitate discourse amongst stakeholders within the industry about practical challenges and the feasibility of implementing regulations and policies in the airspace and outer space; to familiarize participants with country specific approach with regard to air and space law; to enable participants to appreciate the challenges in developing national aviation and space policy.

The Inauguration ceremony shall be graced by the Chief Guest Air Chief Marshal Birender Singh Dhanoa, PVSM AVSM YSM VM ADC, Chief of the Air Staff, Indian Air Force. Guests of Honour for the ceremony are Air Marshal R.K. Dhir, AVSM VM, Air Officer Commanding-in-



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Chief SWAC, Indian Air Force and Mr. SV Satish, Executive Director (Aviation Safety/Information Technology), Airport Authority of India.

The expert resource persons for the academy include Prof. (Dr.) Bimal N. Patel, Director, Gujarat National Law University, Member, National Security Advisory Board, and Member, Law Commission of India, Mr. Jagbir Singh, IPS, IG/TS & Director, National Industrial Security Academy, Central Industrial Security Force, Dr. Peter Paul Fitzgerald, Adjunct Professor, Institute of Air & Space Law, McGill University, Air Marshal R.K. Dhir, AVSM VM, Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief SWAC, Indian Air Force, Prof. (Dr.) Sandeep Bhat, West Bengal National University of Juridical Sciences, Kolkata, Prof. (Dr.) Stephan Hobe, Director, Institute of Air and Space Law, University of Cologne, Dr. Subbiah Arunan, Director, Special Projects, ISRO, Dr. V. Gopalakrishnan, Policy Analyst, Indian Space Research Organisation, Mr. Vikrant Pachnanda, Dispute Resolution Counsel & Aviation Attorney, Supreme Court of India, Air Marshal Vinod Patney, SYSM PVSM AVSM VrC (Retd.), Director General, CAPS (Centre for Air Power Studies), New Delhi, Prof. Wian Erlank, Associate Professor, Law Faculty, North-West University, Potchefstroom.

The participants of the academy include officials from Indian Air Force, Airport Authority of India, Indian Space Research Organisation, and students from various Universities across India.

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