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What is AMLF?

The African Military Law Forum (AMLF) is an organization composed of dedicated African legal professionals serving in the military or working in the Ministry of Defense or Ministry of Justice. The goal of AMLF is to bring together African military legal advisors from 54 African Nations to discuss legal topics of interest, propose model solutions, and exchange ideas on how to improve military operational adherence to the Rule of Law. AMLF was initiated in March 2014 in Malawi as a forum to gather senior level African military legal advisors from across the African Continent. Subsequent AMLF General Meetings were held in Stuttgart, Germany in 2015, Accra, Ghana in 2016, Oberammergau, Germany in 2018, and Sanremo, Italy in 2019. AMLF is co-sponsored by the United States Africa Command (USAFRICOM).

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Upcoming AMLF

Events:

The AMLF Executive Committee and Advisory Council have been working throughout 2021 to plan the next AMLF General Meeting, currently scheduled for December 2021 in Gaborone, Botswana. Additionally, AMLF is starting a virtual speaker series in the near future to offer an opportunity for any interested African Military Legal Professional to log in on their computer and listen to and discuss a chosen legal topic of interest.

I am delighted to send out this inaugural issues of AMLF Sends. Future issues of AMLF Sends will discuss legal issues relevant to African Military Legal Advisors, as well as updates about AMLF events. African Military Legal Advisors wishing to learn more about AMLF, or participate in future AMLF events, may contact me, any of the AMLF leaders listed above, or the USAFRICOM Office of Legal Counsel through the U.S. Embassy in their respective country. –MG Yusuf Shalangwa, AMLF President