

2009 INTERNATIONAL ROUNDS IN OXFORD

CLARIFICATIONS

Question 1: Does Basic Law act as the Constitution of Petrolia?

Answer: The Basic Law of Petrolia operates as the Constitution of Petrolia.

Question 2: Is the Supreme Judicial Court the highest court in Petrolia?

Answer: The Supreme Judicial Council is the highest court in the People's Republic of Petrolia. See last line of Paragraph 9.

Question 3: 13 Line 4...."Basic Law of Varitanea".....Is this a typing error?

Answer: In Paragraph 13, line 4-5, please substitute "Petrolia" for "Varitania".

Question 4: Did The News Leader exhaust all domestic remedies after the decision of the Court of First Instance to deny the defendant's request to compel production of the documents? See para. 15 of the case.

Answer: Yes, the News-Leader exhausted all domestic remedies relating to the denial of the news organization's access to the documents it had requested, as described in paragraph 15.

Question 5: Did Colonel Rudolph Abelovic also sell uranium mining stocks that he did not owe (short selling)? See para. 17 of the case.

Answer: Colonel Rudolph Abelovic sold all of his portfolio of uranium mining stocks immediately before the invasion was scheduled to commence. Notwithstanding the headline in The Commercial Times, he did not engage in classic short selling. Paragraphs 17 and 18.

Question 6: In Petrolia, is there a presumption of innocence (either of a statutory, common law, or constitutional nature) for criminal defendants whereby criminal defendants are presumed to be innocent until proven guilty?

Answer: Yes, the Basic Law of Petrolia provides such a presumption, and uses the same language as Article 6, subdivision 2 of the European Convention on Human Rights.

Question 7: Does Petrolia have any civil defamation or insult laws that Senator Xu could have commenced an action under in lieu of the criminal defamation and insult laws he actually used?

Answer: Yes, Petrolia has civil defamation and insult laws as which as those criminal laws under which Prime Minister Xu proceeded.