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OAS General Assembly adopts plan to promote disaster law

In June 2012, the OAS General Assembly adopted a new plan of action on disaster management, which highlights the importance of legal preparedness for international disaster cooperation. More details.

Newly re-named Food Assistance Convention now open for signature

On 25 April 2012, the parties to the Food Aid Convention adopted their most sweeping revision to the text to date, including a change of name to the “Food Assistance Convention”. More details.

Asia-Pacific regional seminar examines the role of customs in natural disaster relief

In May 2012, WCO, OCHA and the IFRC held a joint Asia-Pacific regional seminar on the role of customs in natural disaster relief in the Asia Pacific region. More details.

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> New disaster legislation in Colombia emphasizes prevention and preparedness

> Parliamentarians acknowledge the need for better legal preparedness for disasters

> Botswana’s DM community meets on IDRL in Gaborone

> Putting Indonesia’s new disaster guidelines to the test

> Audit agencies collaborate on new approaches to oversee disaster aid

> Tajik customs officials introduced to IDRL

Upcoming events

> Shelter workshop for National Societies, Kuala Lumpur, July 2012

> High level side-event at ECOSOC Humanitarian Affairs Segment, New York, July 2012

> Expert Model Act meeting, Kuala Lumpur, September 2012

Call for volunteers

> Legal researchers needed

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