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## ADDRESS OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE ARMENIAN YOUNG LAWYERS ASSOCIATION

Dear Friends, Partners and Associates,

We have the pleasure to introduce to your attention the Annual Report on the activities of the Armenian Young Lawyers Association for 2007. This is a brief introduction of the activities and projects, which the network of AYLA offices carried out during the reporting year, as well as information on the organization's achievements.

We attach much importance to publication and dissemination of the annual report among the interested individuals and entities, as it provides opportunity to the organization to make its activities more transparent and accessible to everyone. The Report ensures accountability of the structure for its beneficiaries, members, partners, and donor organizations, and this is one of the main grounds for the efficient work of the organization.

The year was rather creative for the AYLA. The organization continued providing free legal aid services to the population of the Republic through the network of its offices. Considerable work was realized with respect to dissemination of accessible information on the citizens' rights among the population. AYLA attached great importance to the electoral activities and carried out intensive activities aimed at raising the level of legal awareness of the population on election rights. The Association organized a number of training courses aimed to enhance the professional knowledge of the young lawyers, as well as the traditional scientific conference on advocacy for the law students, published, and disseminated the monthly Legal Newsletter, which is already popular among the readers. This year AYLA carried out considerable activities aimed at raising the

role and importance of the Jessup competition in Armenia. In this respect, the organization established new partnership relations with a number of similar West European organizations.

We hope the work we carried out will have its importance and the role, which may be the boost and the factor to continue our work with greater devotion and inspiration for the sake of protection of the human rights, development of the new generation of lawyers, and establishment of the rule of law state.

The AYLA members and staff, the volunteers, and stakeholders, partners and beneficiaries have had their indispensable role here. I would like to express my deepest gratitude and appreciation for their work. I assure that our efforts are appreciated and lead to the desired results, which enable us to work with greater devotion. Currently the AYLA calls to the lawyers of new generation to continue the work we started, because the new breath and inspiration, which they contribute, will raise the AYLA's efficiency, and help to strive for realization of its vision for future as well as to achieve its goals and objectives.

**Respects,**

**Karen Zadoyan,**  
President of Armenian Young Lawyers Association



## INTRODUCTION

The Armenian Young Lawyers Association was established in 1995 in Yerevan. Since its establishment, the organization determined its mission and established rather pretentious goals and objectives, and started to work in the legal and public fields of the Republic of Armenia having the aim to protect the rights of the population, development of the young lawyers, and establishment of the civil society. Soon AYLA established partnership relations with a number of state, non-governmental, international, and foreign organizations, and started implementation of various projects derived from its strategic directions. In some years, the organization's services were accessible nearly all over the republic due to the network of the AYLA offices, which operate in the Republic of Armenia Marzes.

Protection of human rights and raising legal awareness within the population, as well as supporting the establishment of the advocacy institute in Armenia, promotion the judiciary and legislative reforms, development of the new generation of young lawyers, and establishment of civil society, are the main directions of the AYLA's activities.

Currently AYLA possesses a network of eight offices, which operate in marzes of Armenia and make accessible the organization's services for the population of the regions as well. In 2003, having the aim to raise the efficiency of the projects directed to the development of law students, as well as to expand their involvement in AYLA activities and to raise the level of their legal consciousness, AYLA established its Law Students' Division (LSD). The activities of LSD are aimed to facilitate introduction of the international legal experience and improvement of the quality and efficiency of the legal education in the law schools and law departments of the other institutes in the Republic of Armenia. AYLA possesses a rich legal library, and its services are available for young lawyers, as well as all interested individuals in Yerevan and in marzes. AYLA has elaborated and launched a bilingual official website [www.ayla.am](http://www.ayla.am) to disseminate information on the organization and to ensure the transparency of its activities.

## AYLA MISSION AND VALUES

The Mission of Armenian Young Lawyers Association is to develop a new generation of highly professional lawyers, having a modern outlook and moral values, as well as to promote the establishment of rule of law, and formation of the legal culture in the society.

The values, which the Armenian Young Lawyers Association has adopted since its establishment, are:

Modern legal culture based upon the heritage of centuries old Armenian values.

Legally educated society, which is aware of its rights.

Protected human rights.

Highly professional lawyers and advocates, possessing a new and modern methodology.

Powerful and a strong civil society.

## AYLA TEAM

The AYLA team is the core of the organization and consists of knowledgeable and flexible young lawyers, advocates, and other specialists. The team spirit is highly appreciated within the AYLA. At the same time, the team members share and are directed by the mission and values of the organization. The AYLA team continuously and with great devotion carries out activities aimed at further development of the organization. They believe in organization's future and potential, which the AYLA contributes for professional development of the young lawyers, development of the human rights and establishment of a rule of law state. AYLA regularly increase its membership with already established specialists having high professional values.

# COOPERATION

AYLA has established partner relations with over fifty non-governmental, as well as with more than a dozen of international and foreign organizations. The Association cooperates with different state bodies, the RA Government, the National Assembly, the staff of the President of the Republic of Armenia, as well as with the institutes of judiciary system and other structures.

**The Interchurch Organization for Development Co-operation (ICCO)** was founded in 1964 having the aim of poverty alleviation and elimination of injustice all over the world. ICCO supports programs, which stimulate and enable people, in their own way, to organize dignified housing and living conditions. AYLA has established cooperation with ICCO since 2005.

**The Embassy of the United States of America in Armenia** was founded in 1992. The Embassy realizes assistance programs that are aimed at the development of an open and pluralistic civil society, a functioning market economy, and a stable political environment in the region. The U.S. Embassy is responsible for maintaining day-to-day relations between the U.S. and Armenian governments, and for providing consular services to citizens.

**The United States Agency for International Development (USAID)** is an independent federal government agency that conducts the US foreign assistance and humanitarian aid programs worldwide. In cooperation with local private and non-governmental organizations, USAID reveals the needs and elaborates strategies aimed at providing support for these countries. USAID/Armenia program is carried out through contracts with the US private sector and volunteer organizations, as well as through grants in the spheres provided by the USAID Mission in Armenia. The vision for USAID's Mission to Armenia is collaborating with Armenian partners to achieve a more equitably prosperous, democratic, and stable country, which will provide corresponding possibilities to its citizens.



**The “LEGAL ALLIANCE” Law Firm** was established in 1997 with the aim of providing quality legal services to its clients and becoming a leading firm in the legal market. The Firm has been developed dynamically since its inception and it now meets the demanding legal requirements of top

domestic and international commercial firms. “LEGAL ALLIANCE” Law Firm is now a pioneering law firm in Armenia, providing accessible and highly qualified legal services to individuals and business entities. The Law Firm has a network of offices, which operate nationwide and provides access to its services in the RA provinces as well. “LEGAL ALLIANCE” Law Firm is a company providing comprehensive legal services to private individuals as well as businessmen. It works with major multinational corporations and financial institutions, as well as with a broad range of clients including the family and private businesses.

**The Law Foundation of Armenia** was founded in 2003. The main goals of the Foundation are to assist to the implementation of legal and judicial reforms in the Republic of Armenia, assist to the establishment and development of the advocacy institute in the republic, as well as to improve the professional skills and raise the role of advocates. It also supports to the establishment of the law schools and the law faculties of other institutes of RA, and promotes to the improvement of the quality and efficacy of legal education in the law schools and the law faculties of other institutes.

**“Shen” Benevolent Non-Governmental Organization** was created in 1988, having the mission to promote social and economic development and empowerment of remote and vulnerable rural communities of Armenia with active involvement of community members. The organization strives to transfer new knowledge and skills, create employment, and improve community infrastructures.

**The Armenian Bar Association** was formed in 1989 in the US to provide an arena for lawyers of Armenian heritage and other interested individuals to come together socially and professionally and to address the legal concerns of the Armenian community. With the creation of an independent Republic of Armenia, the Association undertook the task of helping to build and encourage the growth of democratic institutions in Armenia. Professional growth and community advancement are the main goals of the organization. The Association is committed to serve the profession of law, the interests of its members, and the rights of its constituents.

**The International Law Students Association (ILSA)** is a non-profit association of students and young lawyers dedicated to the study and promotion of international law. The Association joins the resources of all law schools and strives to make them accessible for all member organizations. Its history is closely linked with its flagship activity, the Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition. Since its creation, ILSA has been an important influence in ensuring that future generations of law students learn the significance of international law. Currently through its programs and support, ILSA provides essential educational resources to future generations of lawyers and other international professionals worldwide, which will contribute to the development of world order and international law.

**The European Young Bar Association (EYBA)** is a non-profit making, multinational young lawyers association founded on 23 May 1993 in Prague. The group now represents the interests of over 200,000 young lawyers and is the world's largest young lawyers group. EYBA was established to encourage links between and to promote the interests and welfare of young lawyers throughout geographical Europe. AYLAs joined The European Young Bar Association in 1998.

AYLA constantly consolidates its links with the partners, and strives to establish and promotes the establishment of new cooperation between AYLAs and other organizations. The AYLAs external relations are one of the assets of the structure. AYLAs enjoys confidence among the partner organizations and this is a guarantee for consolidation of the links and establishment of new relationships.

AYLA attaches much importance and appreciates cooperation with Mass Media, which is indispensable for ensuring the efficiency and transparency of the organizations' activities, as well as informing the beneficiaries. The Armenian Mass Media impartially covers all the events organized by AYLAs.

## AYLA PROJECTS AND IMPLEMENTED ACTIVITIES

**Supporting Legal Aid and Information:** AYLAs started project implementation in July 2007. The project is aimed at providing free legal and information services and free legal aid to the socially vulnerable layers of the population, as well as to people with limited access to these services. It also foresees provision of free legal and information resources to the lawyers, law students and people that are interested in law. It is anticipated to carry out reforms of the RA Legislation in the scope of the project as well, in particular through the study of the legal sphere of gender equality issues, as well as recommendations and discussions, designing draft changes of laws and lobbying. The project includes organization of scientific conferences on the urgent issues of judiciary and advocacy spheres, as well as further publication of the specialized monthly Legal Newsletter. It also anticipates activities aimed at the capacity development of the AYLAs.



**Development of the Mechanisms for the Protection of Human Rights and Raising Legal Awareness in the Republic of Armenia:** The project was carried out in the period of 1 June 2006 through 30 May 2007, with the financial support of Dutch Interchurch Organization for Development Cooperation (ICCO). The project was aimed at implementing development programs for raising the legal

awareness of the population, as well as the sphere of the protection of human rights, establishment of the Justice system and the civil society and strengthening of AYLA's internal organizational capacity. AYLA published 50 titles of information leaflets, on the protection of everyday human rights, as well as the mechanisms for the protection of human rights. The leaflets were disseminated among the population of the rural districts of the RA. The volunteer trainers who passed training in the framework of the project, carried out seminars for the pupils of the senior classes of the public schools, students, employees of different organizations, as well as for the community members on the themes included in the leaflets. AYLA continued providing free legal advice services to the socially vulnerable layers of the population in the framework of the project as well through the network of its regional offices. The practicing lawyers, law students and other individuals that are interested in law, gained opportunity to use AYLA legal resources in the framework of the project. In 2007, the Armenian Young Lawyers Association published the 8th – 19th issues of the “Legal Newsletter”, which is distributed freely among the young lawyers, law students, advocates, judges, as well as other interested individuals and structures.

**The 2007 Philip Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition:** Student's teams of the law schools and the departments of law of other institutes of Armenia took part in the Armenian Round of **the 2007 Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition**. The winner of the Armenian National Round the students' team of the law department of the Russian-Armenian (Slavonic)



State University took part in the International Round of the 2007 Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition on 25 – 31 March 2007 in Washington, US. The Armenian team was the 54th among 94 teams

from different countries of the world. The achievement of the Armenian team was notable in the Competition of the Written Memorials. The Memorial of the Armenian team was the 33rd in Hardy C. Dillard Competition, which brings together the top Memorials from each of the National and Regional Competition, regardless whether the authoring team advances to the Sherman & Sterling International Rounds. The Law Foundation of Armenia, the Armenian Young Lawyers Association and “LEGAL ALLIANCE” Law Firm were co-organizers of the competition in 2007. The US Embassy in Armenia provided financial support for the competition. The Judicial Department of the Republic of Armenia supported the competition as well.

Aimed at popularization of the **Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition** in Armenia the coordinator of the Jessup Club of Armenia held meetings with the students of different law schools and law departments



of the other institutes in Yerevan and in the Provinces of the RA. The JCA coordinator introduced information about the Competition, its history worldwide and in Armenia, as well as the order of participation of the Armenian teams. The law students received the booklet “Jessup Competition in Armenian and Worldwide” as well as the JCA Newsletters. The meetings provided opportunity to raise the problems, which hinder to the participation of the law students in the competition.

**Meeting with Mr. Robert Roomian, Ex-Chairman of the Armenian Bar Association of America:** On 3 October, the members of Armenian Bar Association served as judges in the Moot Court Competition, which was organized by the Law Department of the American University of Armenia. Participant of the Philip Jessup

International law Moot Court Competition and the National Administrator of the Jessup competition were among the invitees as well. After the Competition, Mr. Robert Roomian, ex-chairman of the Armenian Bar Association and his wife Mrs. Maro Roomian invited the members of the winner team of the Armenian National Round of the 2007 Philip Jessup Law Moot Court Competition, as well as the organizers of the Competition in Armenia to dinner. At the dinner, members of the Armenian Bar Association greeted the organization of Jessup. On 5 October 2007, the Armenian Young Lawyers Association hosted Mr. and Mrs. Roomians in the Central Office of AYLA, where they met with the members of the Jessup Club of Armenia. At the end of the meeting, Mr. Robert Roomian was announced a Friend of Jessup Club of Armenia received the certificate for his unbiased and good will support to the Armenian teams in the international rounds.



Details on the Competition are available at the official website of the Armenian National Round of Philip Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition.

**Raising the Legal Awareness of the Populations of 20 Rural Communities in Vardenis and Chambarak Regions of Gegharkunik Province:** AYLA started project implementation on 1 September 2005, with the support of “Shen” Charitable Non-Governmental Organization, through funds leveraged by ICCO Holland, and continued it in 2007 as well. The project is aimed at provision of accessible free legal advice services provided by AYLA Gegharkunik regional branch through on-site visits to the population of rural communities of Vardenis and Chambarak regions of Gegharkunik Province who have no opportunity to use the necessary legal services. The program promotes to raising the level of legal consciousness of the population through organizing public hearings with

the involvement of the representatives of the local self-government, and thus insuring the awareness of beneficiaries on the activities of the local self-government and insuring their participation in the community life. The project Newsletter is published and disseminated freely among the population as well.

**Advocacy Campaign on Raising Public Awareness on Electoral Rights and their Protection:** AYLA implemented the program within the framework of the MATRA (Social Transformation) Small Embassy Projects Programme (KAP) with the support of the Embassy of the Kingdom of the Netherlands in Georgia and Armenia in the period of March July 2007.

Considering the importance of legal awareness of the population on the Elections to the National Assembly of the Republic of Armenia

AYLA published **10 titles of information leaflets on electoral rights**, obligations and responsibilities, as well as on the order and procedures for organizing the elections. The AYLA volunteers disseminated around 100.000 information leaflets among the population in Yerevan and in the regions.



**Fourth Scientific Conference for the Law Students “Advocacy: Current State and Prospects for its Development in the Republic of Armenia”:** The Fourth Scientific Conference for the law students “Advocacy: Current State and Prospects for its Development in the Republic of Armenia,” which was organized jointly by the Armenian Young Lawyers Association, The Law Foundation of Armenia and “LEGAL ALLIANCE” Law Firm took place in Yerevan Hotel on 5 December 2007. 28 students from the law schools of Yerevan, as well as from the regions had applied for participation in the conference. 8 applicants introduced their reports in time. The authors of the best 4

reports were authorized to take part in the final, oral round. Naira Dilanyan, 4th year student from the law department of the European Academy of Regional Education was recognized “The Best Oralist” and won the fourth prize of the Conference. Mariam Osipyan, 2nd year student from the law department of the European Academy of Regional Education, was recognized the third. Igor Avakyan, 3rd year student from the law department of Gladzor University of Yerevan won the second prize and became the special prize holder, which was established by Mr. Karen Zadoyan, the AYLA President. Varduhi Badalyan, 5th year student from the law department of Gavar State University was recognized “The Best Oralist” and the winner of the Competition. The winners received valuable prizes. Participants of the written round of the Conference received encouragement prizes as well. Armenian electronic and print media covered the work of the Conference.

**ICCO Partners Meeting in Armenia:** On 29-30 May 2007, the Dutch ICCO organization (Interchurch Organization for development Cooperation) held its Armenian partners meeting in Aviatrans Hotel in Yerevan. The meeting was aimed at introducing ICCO’s changed strategy to its partners, as well as discussion of thematic and programmatic approaches of its new strategic directions. ICCO intended to review the activities and ongoing projects of its partners and to establish cooperation among them as well. Prior to the meeting ICCO representatives had visited the offices of their Armenian partner NGOs, including the AYLA’s Central and Vanadzor offices. The participants introduced their opinions, suggestions, and considerations referring to ICCO’s new approaches and strategy. At the end of the meeting, ICCO suggested partner NGOs to introduce project proposals, which comply with its new strategy, goals, and objectives.



**AYLA develops the 2007-2010 Strategic Plan:** On 23 and 24 February 2007, the Armenian Young Lawyers Association (AYLA) organized seminars for the self-assessment and developing of the AYLA 2007-2010 Strategic Plan. The AYLA members, staff, partners, and beneficiaries were invited to participate. During the first day, the working group referred to and discussed the AYLA activities carried out during the past three years. Further, the participants realized assessment of the organization’s infrastructures through SWOT analysis. During the next working day the participants were introduced the External Evaluation Report of the AYLA activities for 2004-2006. Considering the conclusions and suggestions of the external evaluator referring to AYLA’s activities, as well as the self-assessment results, the participants referred to the essential for the AYLA activities directions and included them in the new four-year strategic plan.

**Success of AYLA in the Court Case of Employees v. ArmenTel CJSC referring to the Preventive Strike in the Constitutional Court of the RA:** On 7 February 2007 the Constitutional Court of Armenia considered the appeal of advocate Liana Harutyunyan, member of the Armenian Young Lawyers Association NGO who defends the rights of Harutyun Kharatyan, Armen Abrahamyan and Andranik Ghukasyan, ex-employees of the IT department of ArmenTel CJSC. The Court decided to sustain the claim and recognize the disputable provision of Article 73 and Part 3 of Article 75 of the RA Labour Code inconsistent to Paragraph 3 of Article 32 and Paragraph 2 of Article 43 of the RA Constitution, as much as the right to strike is stipulated only by the condition of failure to solve the collective dispute in respect of signing the collective agreement and bar the right to strike under new conditions (including the condition of complying to the obligations, which may rise from the collective agreements signed before). The Court has recognized the provision “... and organizing strike is prohibited” of Part 2 of Article 60 of the Labour Code, as contradicting to Paragraph 3 of Article 32 and Paragraph 2 of Article 43.



**Meeting with the Chairwoman of the Standing Committee on Protection of Human Rights and Public Affairs of the National Assembly:** On 12 July 2007 Mr. Karen Zadoyan, President of the Armenian Young Lawyers Association met with Ms. Arevik Petrosyan, Chairwoman of the Standing Committee on Protection of Human Rights and Public Affairs of the National Assembly. The parties came to an agreement to start mutually beneficial cooperation in future.

**Meeting with the Chairman of the Standing Committee on European Integration of the National Assembly:** On 20 July 2007 Mr. Karen Zadoyan, President of the Armenian Young Lawyers Association met with Mr. Avet Adonts, Chairman of the Standing Committee on European Integration of the National Assembly. Representatives from other four NGOs attended the meeting as well. The parties came to an agreement to start mutually beneficial cooperation in future.

**The Role of Right Protective Organizations in the Protection of Human Rights:** The Human Rights Committee of the Armenian Young Lawyers Association (AYLA) organized a discussion on the Role of Right Protective Organizations in the Protection of Human Rights, which was held at 11:00 a.m., on 16 July 2007 in Yerevan Golden Tulip Hotel. The discussion was aimed at raising the role and importance of the right protective organizations; to elaborate efficient mechanisms for their cooperation with the governmental bodies; provide opportunity to work out more effective suggestions for elaboration of new approaches referring to the protection of human rights in the Republic of Armenia and their introduction to the attention of the relevant structures. Representatives from the Armenian and international right protective NGOs, the National Assembly of the RA, the international and foreign organizations in Armenia, the Chamber of Advocates of the RA and other interested organizations attended the discussion.

**International Conference “Trilateral Co-operation and Civil Society” in Prague:** International Conference “Trilateral Co-operation and Civil Society” was held on 12 through 14 September 2007 in the building of the Czech Ministry of Foreign Affairs Prague. About a hun-

dred representatives from the Netherlands, Bulgaria, Czechia, Croatia, Slovenia, Slovakia, Romania, Hungary, Serbia, Poland, Ukraine, Moldova, Byelorussia, Georgia, and Armenia took part in the conference. Advocate Mr. Karen Zadoyan, President of the Armenian Young Lawyers Association, Head of the Board of Trustees of the Law Foundation of Armenia participated in the Conference as well.

**Presentation of the Youth National Report:** Presentation of the Youth National Report was held on 11 October 2007 in Golden Tulip Yerevan Hotel. Representatives from the RA State structures, as well as international and local youth non-governmental organizations were invited to the presentation. Advocate Karen Zadoyan, President of the Armenian Young Lawyers Association directed the activities of the legal section of the report. At the end of the presentation, Mr. Armen Grigoryan, the RA minister of sport and youth affairs, handed gratitude letters to the experts and supporters.

## STATISTICS OF IMPLEMENTED ACTIVITIES

In 2007, the AYLA Central and Regional Offices provided the following services in the scope of work of all the implemented projects:

### Provision of legal resources

Provision of modern legal literature

Provision of legal video production

Provision of computer, fax, e-mail and Internet services

Provision of RA legislative computer software program

3575 people used the legal resources of AYLA in 2007. 2802 people (78.37%) used the legal literature, and 773 people (21.63%) used the Armenian legislative computer software program and the other services (computer, Internet and fax):

Type	Number	%
Legal literature	2802	78.37
Computer systems	773	21.63
<b>Total</b>	<b>3575</b>	<b>100</b>

930 people or 26.01% of the users are male and 2645 or 73.99% are female.

Gender	Number	%
Female	2645	73.99
Male	930	26.01
<b>Total</b>	<b>3575</b>	<b>100</b>

### Organization of seminars and trainings

#### Development of the Mechanisms for the Protection of Human Rights and Raising Legal Awareness in the Republic of Armenia

The AYLA 7 offices organized and conducted 1 training course, which consisted of 4 seminars and 1 training course, which consisted of 17 seminars on fundamental and everyday human rights and the mechanisms for their protection. Total 147 seminars were conducted and 84 volunteer trainers passed training. After the seminars, the volunteer trainers conducted similar seminars in the schools, institutes, as well as for the representatives of different companies, organizations and communities.

#### Free legal advice and advocacy services

In 2007, AYLA offices provided free legal advice services and court representation for the representatives of the vulnerable groups of the society.

### Percentage of Beneficiaries, by Legal Service, AYLA 2007

Spheres of the free legal services	Number of beneficiaries per area	Percentage of beneficiaries
Labor	334	8.92
Housing	85	2.27
Family	364	9.72
Social Security	266	7.10
Civil Rights	1132	30.23
Civil Procedure	244	6.52
Administrative	26	0.69
Criminal Law	131	3.50
Land Ownership	97	2.59
Health	29	0.77
Education and Science	45	1.20
Environmental Protection	1	0.03
Gender Issues (family violence)	2	0.05
International Law	4	0.11
Criminal procedure	18	0.48
NA Elections	501	13.38
Other legal issues	466	12.44
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3745</b>	<b>100</b>

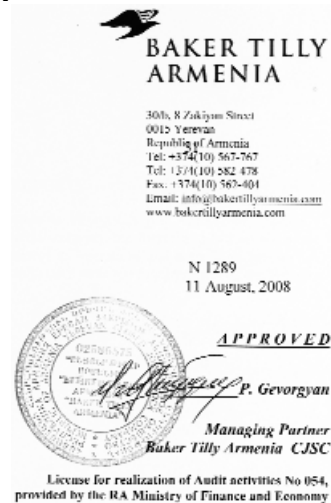
### Type of the Beneficiaries of AYLA Legal Service

Type	Number	%
Physical persons	3743	99.94
Juridical persons	2	0.06
<b>Total</b>	<b>3745</b>	<b>100</b>

## Gender of the Beneficiaries of AYLALegal Service

Gender	Number	%
Female	2314	61.82
Male	1429	38.18
<b>Total</b>	<b>3743</b>	<b>100</b>

## VIII. THE EXTERNAL AUDIT CONCLUSION AND FINANCIAL REPORTS ON THE FINANCIAL ASSETS OF THE ARMENIAN YOUNG LAWYERS ASSOCIATION FOR 2007



### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To General Assembly and Executive Board of the "Armenian Young Lawyers Association" Non-Governmental Organization

We have audited the accompanying balance sheet of the "Armenian Young Lawyers Association" Non-Governmental Organization as of December 31, 2007, and the related

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statements of financial results and cash flows for the year then ended as well as the Financial Report of the project "Supporting Legal Aid & Information" as of 31 July, 2008 (Note 14). These financial statements are the responsibility of the "Armenian Young Lawyers Association" Non-Governmental Organization's Management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Audit and professional practice. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance as to whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by the Organization Management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statements presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

### AUDITOR'S OPINION ON THE FINANCIAL REPORTS

In our opinion, the financial statements of the "Armenian Young Lawyers Association" non-governmental organization present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the organisation as of 31 December 2007, and the results of its operations and cash flows for the year then ended; the accounting is conducted in conformity with the requirements of the RA Law "On Accounting".

Arthur Kirakosyan

Director of the Audit and  
Advisory Department

### Balance Sheet

31 December 2007

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<b>ASSETS</b>	<b>Notes</b>	<b>2007 Audited</b>	<b>2006 Audited</b>
<b>Non-Current Assets</b>			
Capital Assets	3	36,918	42,098
Intangible Assets	4	106	124
Investments calculated on equity basis	5	13	13
<b>Total Non Current Assets</b>		<b>37,037</b>	<b>42,235</b>
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Current receivables and prepayments	6	187	136
Cash and cash equivalents	7	3,541	14,114
Other current assets	8	-	19
<b>Total Current Assets</b>		<b>3728</b>	<b>14,269</b>
<b>BALANCE</b>		<b>40,765</b>	<b>56,504</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
<b>Equity</b>			
Accumulated profit(loss)		-	130
<b>Total Equity</b>		<b>-</b>	<b>130</b>
<b>Non -Current Liabilities</b>			
Grants related to Assets	9	37,067	42,222
<b>Total Non -Current Liabilities</b>		<b>37,067</b>	<b>42,222</b>
<b>Current Liabilities</b>			
Current accounts payable	10	123	1
Grants related to income	11	3,575	14,151
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>		<b>3,698</b>	<b>14,152</b>
<b>BALANCE</b>		<b>40,765</b>	<b>56,504</b>

Karen Zadoyan Alvard Hovhannisyan  
President Chief Accountant

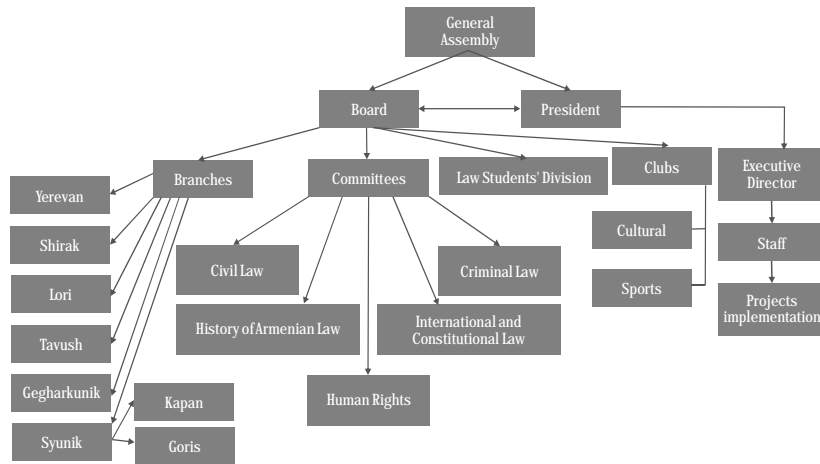
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**Income Statement**  
**01.01.2007-31.12.2007**

	<b>Notes</b>	<b>2007 Audited</b>	<b>2006 Audited</b>
			<b>AMD ths.</b>
<b>Other Operating Income, including</b>		<b>41,252</b>	<b>51,966</b>
Grants		40,891	51,480
Membership fees		361	486
<b>Other Operating Expenss, including</b>	12	<b>(41,195)</b>	<b>(51,359)</b>
Grants		(40,836)	(50,940)
Membership fees	12.1	(359)	(419)
<b>Operating Profit(Loss)</b>		<b>57</b>	<b>607</b>
<b>Profit (loss) as regards investments calculated on equity basis</b>		109	-
<b>Other non-operating income (loss)</b>	13	<b>(54)</b>	<b>(541)</b>
<b>Income (loss) from ordinary activity</b>		<b>112</b>	<b>66</b>

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## IX. AYLА ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE



## X. AYLА BOARD

The Board of the Organization is considered to be the governing body of the Organization in-between the General Assemblies. The composition of the Board is determined at the General Meeting of AYLА members, which is held every two years. AYLА held its VII General Meeting on 5 December 2006. The General Meeting elected the Board of the organization:

Name	Title
Karen Zadoyan	AYLА President, Head of AYLА Board
David Abgaryan	AYLА Vice - President, Deputy-Head of AYLА Board
Narineh Karapetyan	AYLА Responsible Secretary, Responsible Secretary of AYLА Board
Artsrun Mirzoyan	AYLА Board member
Garik Hayrapetyan	AYLА Board member, Head of AYLА Gegharkunik branch
Lusineh Abgaryan	AYLА Board member
Arshavir Khalapyan	AYLА Board member, Head of AYLА Syunik branch
Liana Harutyunyan	AYLА Board member, Coordinator of the AYLА Professional Committees
Arpine Yeghikyan	AYLА Board member, National Administrator of the Jessup Competition, Coordinator of the Jessup Club of Armenia

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