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A recent excursus into English, American and European international commercial agreements indicates that clear and cogent choice of law and choice of forum clauses are essential to effectuate the express intent of the contractual parties. George Zaphiriou richly treats in his article case and statutory law affecting this integral part international commercial contract formation.

The question of priority benefits granted foreign nationals seeking trademark registrations under the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property is addressed by practitioners Richard Kline and Edward Colbert. These rights have been recently re-defined under the umbrage of the *Lemon Tree* decision.

The United States International Trade Commission Attorneys Edward Easton and Jeffrey Lang present an incisive rebuttal to the Kaye and Plaia analysis of U.S.I.T.C. jurisdiction over import pricing under section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended. [See 2 INT'L TRADE L.J. 1 (1977)]. Messrs. Kaye and Plaia have not let this fusilade go unassailed and have briefly surrebutted to the Easton-Lang response.

While it is an impossible task to comprehensively digest recent international transactions, a modest foray is made toward that goal through student work efforts in this issue.

Equally difficult is to recognize all those who have nurtured the JOURNAL through its nascence and have solidified its foundation during the formative years. Dean Michael J. Kelly, Assistant Dean George M. Regan, Professors Hungdah Chiu and Edward A. Laing are the architects of our success. I wish to express my personal thanks to those on the staff who labored and are still smiling.

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