

Editor's Note

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EDITOR'S NOTE

Several changes are reflected in the second volume of the *INTERNATIONAL TRADE LAW JOURNAL*. The most notable is the addition of a topical survey of international trade law, comprised of student writing. The topical survey appears as Part II of this issue of the *JOURNAL*. Our aim is to include, as far as possible, significant developments in each of the areas of concern of international commercial law. We believe that such a broad-ranging treatment — the first of its kind in an American student-run journal of international law — is justified by the rapidity with which substantial changes occur in international trade law and by the difficulties faced by practitioners and academicians in keeping abreast of these changes. We hope that the survey will fulfill the need for an accurate, current reassessment of the legal, economic, political and diplomatic factors affecting world trade. The concept of the topical survey and its substance are described more specifically in the preface to Part II.

In addition, the *JOURNAL* continues to present articles and book reviews by prominent scholars and practitioners. Harvey Kaye and Paul Plaia, Jr., both well-known practitioners in the area of unfair competition practices in international trade, have contributed our lead article for the present issue, on the topic of section 337 practice before the International Trade Commission. Unfair competition practices have generated great amounts of publicity lately, notably because of the controversy over U.S. imports of Japanese color televisions, and Messrs. Kaye and Plaia have honored the *JOURNAL* with an incisive and comprehensive article. Professor Eliezar Erel has also contributed an incisive study, of the Andean Common Market plan to allocate production facilities in the petrochemicals area among its member states. The petrochemical sectorial industrialization plan provides a fascinating model for similar endeavors among other developing nations bound together by a community of interest. In addition, we are honored to include in this issue book reviews by Raymond Vernon, Charles P. Kindleberger, Frederick Tipson and Edward S. Mason.

The second volume of the *JOURNAL* results from dedication and long hours on the part of the entire staff. From these efforts we have enhanced our knowledge of the law of international trade, and learned the fine points involved in legal research, writing and publications. Instrumental in this process were Professors Hung-

dah Chiu and Edward A. Laing, to whom we are extremely grateful for their time and efforts. Dean Michael J. Kelly and Associate Dean Laurence M. Katz afforded us the benefit of their excellent advice and positive support throughout, and we are indebted to them. We also thank Assistant Dean George M. Regan for his administrative support. The JOURNAL's former editor, George F. Pappas, continued to provide great encouragement during the publication process.

As the JOURNAL progresses from its nascence, we hope it will be a practical as well as a scholarly and intellectual publication for the legal community.

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