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FOREWORD

This inaugural publication reflects a growing interest in international law among men and women of law and policy science. Today, there are momentous changes and challenges on the international scene with vast legal and policy implications. Man's probe of the frontier areas—outer space, and the ocean depths—forces students of law and policy to rethink traditional concepts of order. Protection of human rights, inherent in American law, has become a matter of legal and policy concern on the international scene. Little wonder, then, that scholarship in international law and policy has captured the attention of some of the finest minds. Hopefully, the pages of this publication shall provide a wider audience for the keen thinking of these scholars.

The University of Denver has reacted affirmatively and enthusiastically to the growing interest in international law and policy. Its Graduate School of International Studies has earned a deserved solid reputation for thoughtful research and reflection about the changes and challenges internationally. Concurrently, the College of Law has, within its orbit of interest, provided leadership in teaching, research, and community involvement. With the appointment of Ved P. Nanda to the College of Law faculty in 1964, its interests were given new and exciting dimensions. Each year since 1965, the College has been host to a regional conference of the American Society of International Law. In 1969, the faculty began to require the course in International Law for every first year student. In 1970, the faculty established an International Legal Studies Program here. And last spring, the College offered a course on Transnational Business Transactions, as a part of the continuing legal educational program. Now, with this publication, international law and policy has a voice and forum at the College of Law: a valuable voice and forum for meaningful dialogue on perplexing problems and for student training and research. Indeed, the faculty recognizes the interdependent nature of the world community; it accepts the challenge of making a contribution toward clarifying international legal problems.

It is especially appropriate that this first issue is dedicated to Myres S. McDougal, undisputed authority in international law and policy. With his lifelong devotion to legal teaching and
scholarship, his untiring efforts in promoting human dignity, and his impact upon international legal thought, "Mac" has rightly earned a warm and singularly unique place among his colleagues—scholars, teachers, practitioners, jurists—everywhere. Kudos, respect and gratitude go to him on his sixty-fifth birthday, through these pages.

The faculty of law and administration of the University present, with congratulations to the staff and with pride, this first issue to all concerned with international order in the expectation that it will be used not only as a forum of sharing thoughtful scholarly writing and critical commentary on current international problems, but that it will also offer innovative ideas for promoting and strengthening international order.

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