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LAW AND POLICY AT 15 — CHALLENGES AHEAD FOR
INTERNATIONAL LAW AND POLICY ........ Ved P. Nanda

In this dedication of the fifteenth volume of the Denver Journal of International Law & Policy, Ved P. Nanda, director of the International Legal Studies Program of the University of Denver College of Law and faculty adviser to the Journal, outlines the past achievements of the International Legal Studies Program with particular reference to future developments in international law.

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THE STATUS OF COUNTERCLAIMS UNDER INTERNATIONAL LAW,
WITH PARTICULAR REFERENCE TO INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION INVOLVING A PRIVATE PARTY AND A FOREIGN STATE

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This article examines the sources and extent of general rules of international law governing counterclaims in judicial and arbitral proceedings. Initially, the article focuses on the practice regarding counterclaims before international courts. It also examines the permissibility of counterclaims before international arbitral tribunals in interstate disputes and disputes between private parties and states. The authors' evaluation leads them to conclude that, although counterclaims are generally allowed unless specifically prohibited by courts and arbitral tribunals, as a matter of international jurisprudence and as expressed in conventions, the international law rules concerning counterclaims are generally narrow. The article concludes with an analysis of the practice of counterclaims in United States federal courts as a possible source of analogy to international tribunals.

JUDGES IN AN UNJUST SOCIETY:
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The thesis of this article is concerned with the two traditional models of law and adjudication in America and the former Commonwealth countries, positivism and natural law, and their inadequacies regarding the problem of the moral judge in an immoral system. After discussing the features of the South African legal system and the traditional approaches to adjudicating within such a “wicked” legal system, the article compares the American experience of dealing with slavery to the South African experience of dealing with apartheid. The conclusion proposes a new approach to law and adjudication which provides a better explanation for the way in which judges confronted with unjust law have nevertheless sought justice. Elements of this new approach to law as “interpretation” will make it easier for such judges to seek justice in the future.
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On June 25, 1985, the governments of the United States, Great Britain, and Northern Ireland signed the Supplementary Convention to the Extradition Treaty. The author examines the portion of the Supplementary Treaty which effectively eliminates the political offense exception to extradition and recommends disapproval of the treaty in its present form. The treaty essentially removes the judicial branch from decision making concerning extraditable political offenses which would give greater responsibility to the executive branch to fill this function. The author's basic concerns relating to this exemption of the judicial branch is that such a policy is inconsistent with the United States' Constitution, social values and legal traditions, and equally importantly, it poses a threat to the Separation of Powers Doctrine.

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The U.S. Senate has recently approved a Supplementary Treaty with the U.K. that limits the applicability of the political offense exception in cases involving the extradition of alleged terrorists by listing specific acts or crimes that will no longer be considered political offenses capable of preventing extradition. This article traces the history of the political offenses exception and the recent abuses it has suffered. In particular, the author examines the dilemma faced by the U.S. when it sought the extradition of the alleged terrorist Mohammed Abbas. The author examines the inconsistencies of U.S. and Western policy regarding the extradition of terrorists which have resulted in our providing shelter for the very terrorists that attack the United States and our allies. The author believes that in order for the U.S. to credibly urge other nations to extradite terrorists to the U.S., and hopefully discourage terrorist activity, it is morally imperative that the U.S. change its policy through such instruments as the Supplementary Treaty.
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