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We are pleased to share Societies Without Borders’ new website as well as Volume 10, Issue 1.

The new website is an important step towards our goal of engaging with human rights scholars across the four corners of the globe. We intend to push the envelope with governments and nongovernmental organizations, challenging their practices and policies. While the website serves as the platform, your contributions are critical to reaching these objectives. We need you.

This new website represents efforts of many thoughtful, talented, hard-working people who are committed to social science and human rights scholarship. We first thank Michael Scharf and Jessica Berg, Deans of the Law School of Case Western Reserve University. At a moment when SWB’s future was not crystal clear, Deans Scharf and Berg have offered crucial material and moral support to SWB, bolstering our efforts to push SWB forward.

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out details, answering questions, and making crucial decisions. Lisa’s energy, thoughtfulness, and support know no bounds. We cannot overstate our gratitude.

We look forward to collaborating with you as we start this new chapter of *SWB* and bringing this new website to life.

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