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PREFACE

It is my privilege to announce this first issue of the Journal of International Law's thirteenth year. Latin America is an area of the world that deserves our attention and respect. Lead articles include an examination of the region's contribution to international law, its position in the world economic order, as well as the area's participation in international organizations' economic order, and its approaches to doing business with foreign companies and nations. Student pieces aptly complement the principal theme.

The previous issue of the Journal was dedicated to Mexico. These two issues reveal the growing relations which we have with our southern neighbors. Our ties are economic, political, and increasingly social. Demographers tell us that the largest minority in the United States in the years to come will be those of Hispanic heritage. Thus, scholarly treatment of issues concerning Latin America will aid us in understanding not only these countries and their societies, but a large segment of our own nation as well. We hope that these two issues are valuable in this endeavor.

Our thirteenth year has been one of tremendous growth for our organization and staff. I express my profound gratitude to the entire staff, especially to each member of the Executive Board. Serving with people of such dedication, tenacity, and good spirit has been personally rewarding. I wish all of them success and happiness in their lives and professional careers.

The 1980-81 Editorial Board welcomes the 1981-82 Editorial Board to their leadership role and wishes them the best of luck in the year ahead. We are confident that this talented group will continue in the best Journal tradition.

A personal thanks is offered to Drs. Lloyd, Schoultz and Chandler, three of my former mentors at Miami University, for their inspiration in this Latin American theme issue. And, of course, the entire Journal staff thanks our faculty advisor, Sidney Picker, Jr. for his help this academic year and to Dean Lindsey Cowen for his continued support.

I trust the reader will permit me a moment to share a personal thought. Working on a journal devoted to international law has heightened my awareness of the importance of understanding and compassion for cultures different from one's own. International affairs do not permit a facile "cost-benefit" perspective, and I hope that domestic political events will not so develop. The costs of ignoring the unquantifiable human factor
are prohibitively high. Much of the greatness of this country rests in the eyes of those abroad who look to us as a nation committed to justice. We can and must fulfill those expectations.

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