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INTRODUCTION

This is the inaugural issue of the Ave Maria Law School's International Law Journal (ILJ). It is being published after faculty approval of the journal as an official publication of the Ave Maria Law School. As faculty advisors, we hope you enjoy this flagship volume devoted to the topic "The Holy See, Person and Sovereign" and dedicated to Robert Araujo, S.J., and his distinguished career as an international law scholar and diplomat.

Fr. Araujo was born and raised in Dighton, Massachusetts. Prior to entering the Society of Jesus in 1986, Fr. Araujo entered military service upon completion of law school. He was commissioned in the Field Artillery and served in the Quartermaster Corps. He practiced law from 1974 to 1986 and was admitted to the Bars of Massachusetts (1973), the District of Columbia (1975), the Seventh Circuit, and the District of Columbia Circuit.

He has held the following academic appointments: 1988-1993: Lecturer in Law, Boston College Law School, Newton, MA.; 1989-1990: Chamberlain Fellow, Columbia Law School, New York, NY; 1993: Adjunct Professor of Law, Georgetown University Law Center, Washington, D.C.; 1994-2005: Professor of Law, Gonzaga University, Spokane, WA. In the Fall of 1997, he was a Visiting Professor of Law, Saint Louis University School of Law, St. Louis, MO. During the academic year 2000-2001, he was a visiting fellow at the Stein Center for Ethics at Fordham University School of Law. He was a member of the Board of Members of Gonzaga University from 1998-2003. In 2005 he was assigned to the Pontifical Gregorian University in Rome where he was a *Professore Ordinario* (full professor). In the academic year 2008-09, he was a visiting professor at Boston College Law School.

In 2009 he was appointed as the inaugural holder of the John Courtney Murray, S.J. University Professorship at Loyola University Chicago. Fr. Araujo holds eight academic degrees that include the A.B. (1970) and J.D. (1973) from Georgetown University; the Ph.B. from St. Michael's Institute, Gonzaga University; the LL.M. and J.S.D. from Columbia University; the M.Div. and S.T.L. from the Weston Jesuit School of Theology; and, the B.C.L. from Oxford University. In addition to his teaching duties, he has served as an expert and legal advisor to the Holy See and frequently assists the Holy See's Permanent Observer to the United Nations. He has been active in pastoral ministry in the United States, England, and Rome.

The Ave Maria Law School's International Law Journal (ILJ) is dedicated to the research and publication of articles that address issues in international law. Ever mindful of the Catholic Church's contributions to the development of international law dependent as it is upon the natural law: the means by which every human person formulates legal principles.¹ The human person grasps intuitively by speculative reasoning, the first principle of the moral life: the principle of non-contradiction; and knows immediately by practical reasoning the first precept upon which all others are based: one must to good and avoid evil.² As Professor Araujo has emphasized in his scholarship, key to international law are the principles of "a common humanity" (the human person by nature endowed with intelligence and free will); "the common good" (the good of human life in communion); "solidarity" (the bonds between persons); "subsidiarity" (reasoned and effective decision-making at the lowest level of social and political life); and "justice" (to give to the other what is his or her due).³ The ILJ will underline the inseparable link between International Law and the Judeo-Christian viewpoint upon which it was drawn. This is quite evident in the scholarship of Robert Araujo on the Augustinian origins of the just war theory in 4th century with additional contributions to this topic and others of Thomas Aquinas in the 13th cent. to the work of Francisco de Vitoria and Francisco Suárez on the rights of the Indians in the 16th century⁴

1. Robert Araujo, S.J., *International Law Clients: The Wisdom of Natural Law*, 28 *FORDHAM URB. L. J.* 1751 (2000-2001) at 1753.

2. ST, I-II, q. 94, a.2 (See also: *Ibid.*, at 1753-1755; INTERNATIONAL THEOLOGICAL COMMISSION, *IN THE SEARCH OF A UNIVERSAL ETHIC: A NEW LOOK AT THE NATURAL LAW*, para. 29 (2009) (translation from French to English by Dr. Robert Fastiggi: See generally J. BUDZISZEWSKI, *NATURAL LAW FOR LAWYERS* 21 (ACW Press: 2006).

3. Robert Araujo, S.J., *International Law Clients: The Wisdom of Natural Law*, 28 *FORDHAM URB. L. J.* 1751 (2000-2001); See also Robert Araujo, S.J., *The Church and the International Legal Order: The Lens of "Pacem in Terris,"* 66/67 *NOTES ET DOCUMENTS*, Institute International Jacques Maritain, Nouvell Série, Janvier-Août 2003, pp. 11-29.

4.Cf. Robert Araujo, S.J., *The Catholic Neo-Scholastic Contribution to Human Rights: The Natural Law Foundation*, 1 *AVE MARIA LAW REVIEW* 159 (2003).

finally to the development of modern diplomacy with special contributions of Pope John Paul II in the 20th century.⁵

The ILJ seeks to elucidate and continue the contributions of the Catholic Intellectual Tradition with specific attention to contemporary issues. To achieve this goal this journal will:

1. Promote high quality legal scholarship in areas of International Law dealing with issues where Catholic thought can provide insight into meeting the needs of the international community. In doing so, the journal will serve as an outlet for scholars from around the world to publish articles on a variety of issues of International Law.
2. Further the development of the research, writing, and technical skills of its student editors and staff, through an integration of faculty and student projects. Through this, students and faculty will have an opportunity to work together, furthering the ability for students to work with faculty on a closer basis.
3. Create and maintain a dialogue with the international community on various issues in international law, faithfully representing the Catholic thought on those issues.

As faculty advisors, we hope you enjoy this and future volumes as we endeavour to provide a unique, authentically Catholic and natural law perspective regarding issues of international legal concern.

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Professor Kevin Govern
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5.Cf. Robert Araujo, S.J., *John Paul II—A Man of God and A Servant of Man: The Pope at the United Nations*, 5 AVE MARIA LAW REVIEW 367 (2007); cf. *John Paul II and the Rule of Law: Bringing Order to International Disorder*, 45 JOURNAL OF CATHOLIC LEGAL STUDIES 293 (2006).