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Message from the Chair

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*D'où venons-nous? Que sommes-nous?
Où allons-nous?* (Where do we come from?
What are we? Where are we going?)

—Paul Gauguin

No doubt, Gauguin meant his questions (the title of one of the monumental Tahitian paintings) to apply to all of humankind, but they certainly can apply just as well to a reflection on the *raison d'être* of our Special Interest Section, and that is the purpose of my column. The first question is the easiest to answer. If you take into account its previous existence as a committee (beginning in 1947), ours is one of the senior Special Interest Sections in AALL. The fact reflects the long-standing and perennial necessity for law librarians to stay abreast of developments in international and foreign law and legal documentation. Remarkably, it is only toward the end of the millennium that this truth has been born out to its full extent. Our SIS has consistently demonstrated its value to the overall aspirations of AALL, and no doubt will continue to do so.

The second question is more difficult. I had always thought that the links which truly bound the members of a voluntary association such as ours were the informal, intangible bonds of common interest, shared views, mutual recognition and understanding. These connections grow and sustain themselves naturally and without much formality. I continue to think that the strength of our SIS resides in this kind of organic, perhaps even a

little chaotic, network of commonalities. But since its institution in 1985 as a formal SIS, our voluntary society has ramified in complexity. I count no fewer than fifteen formally established components within our SIS. It is hard to tell if such ramification (fragmentation?) is a good thing. Certainly, it speaks well of our wide range of interests. But, to be frank, it is not clear that the current esteemed Chair has been equal to the task of heading up an institution that requires keeping an iron in that many fires, while simultaneously dealing with entities ominously called Headquarters and the Executive Board. So, I confess to some difficulty, resembling an identity crisis, when confronted with the question, "What are we?"

Nevertheless, I do not despair, and I hope neither will you. Traditionally, the Annual Meeting has acted simultaneously both to define much of what we are about, and to

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focus our attention and energies on the life of the SIS. I see it as my task now to help put the SIS in a position to plan and organize a good Annual Meeting. To that end I will soon be in touch individually with representatives of each one of our component entities. Perhaps my one good administrative decision this year was to ask committee members to stay on, since this will give us some needed continuity going into Seattle. I hope between now and the Annual Meeting at least to sketch an answer to the second question, which will put us in a good position to attack the third one. That, after all, is the crucial one.

COMPARATIVE LAW CONGRESS TO BE HELD IN ATHENS

*by Konstantinos D. Kerameus
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The Hellenic Institute of International and Foreign Law announces that it will host the XIVth Congress of Comparative Law of the International Academy of Comparative Law, which will be held in Athens from July 31 to August 6, 1994. Congresses of Comparative Law are organized every four years and gather at least 500 active participants from all over the world.

Programs are scheduled in a wide variety of substantive areas, including legal history, ecclesiastical law, civil law, private international law, agrarian law, intellectual rights, air and maritime law, human rights, tax law, and criminal law.

According to Professor Paul-André Crépeau of McGill University, president of the International Academy of Comparative Law: "The Congresses of the Academy, which bring together comparativists from many countries, represent a rare occasion to reflect critically upon important contemporary problems through the comparative study of solutions proposed by different legal systems. In so doing, the Academy continues to honour its original mandate which is to facilitate the comparative research in all branches of law.

"The program of the Congress is thus most varied and our Greek colleagues . . . have undertaken to spare no effort in order to ensure that these meetings be a very stimulating and enjoyable event."

Registration fee through March 31 is \$230. After April 1 the fee rises to \$280, and after July 1 to \$330.

For more information, contact the congress secretariat: Olympic Sun Holidays, 7 Voullis St., GR-10562 Athens, or telephone (30-1) 3230083, or fax (30-1)3229149.

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The *Newsletter* is sent free to members of the FCIL SIS. It is available for that "exchange of ideas and information."

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Globetrotting: IALL Schedules 1994 Conferences in Trinidad and The Hague

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The International Association of Law Libraries is planning a joint meeting with the Caribbean Association of Law Libraries. It will be held in Trinidad on August 14-19. This is the week before IFLA meets in Havana, Cuba.

The theme of the CARLL/IALL meeting is "Natural Resources in the Caribbean: Their Regulation, Use, and Preservation." The topic will be explored from various perspectives—that of government, commercial development, and private land ownership. Programs will cover international resources management efforts; land and sea use; coastal zone management; and the legal, business, and environmental sources of information within the Caribbean.

There will be special attention paid to the ways in which information is disseminated within the Caribbean and internationally, including a discussion on the use of the Internet. Excursions to a wildlife preserve and to local courts and libraries will be offered to participants and those accompanying them.

As has been the tradition for the last several years, the IALL will offer a program on law and legal information at the annual IFLA meeting. The proposed program will focus on the family and children in support of the current year's UN theme. For more information about the IFLA meeting, contact IFLA headquarters directly at P.O. Box 95312, 2509 CH The Hague, Netherlands, or telephone 011-31-70-314-0884, or fax 011-31-70-383-4827.

American librarians who plan to go to IFLA in Havana will need to plan ahead. It is questionable whether attendance at a professional meeting will override the need to secure special permission to travel to Cuba. Thus far, no American library group has come forward to apply for a group application to travel.

Therefore, anyone who would like to attend the IFLA meeting should probably apply for an individual license to travel by sending a letter to Mr. Richard Newcomb, Director of the Office of Foreign Assets Control, United States Treasury Department, 1500 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20220.

The letter should state information about the conference, have a clear description of the educational purpose of the meeting, and provide professional background information about the applicant. The staff at the OFAC has indicated that they frequently receive requests of this nature and usually grant the permission. However, you should apply as soon as possible, since the process is slow (six to eight weeks).

For information on travel to Cuba, you may want to contact the agency that is handling arrangements for IFLA. It is Marazul Charters, 13889 South Dixie Highway, Miami, FL 33176, Attn. Francisco G. Arcua, or telephone 315/232-8156. For information about vaccinations and other health considerations, contact the Center for Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta.

In the fall, the IALL will sponsor its fourteenth course on international law librarianship at the Hague Academy of International Law. The theme of the course will be arbitration, with excursions to various institutions within the Hague. The IALL membership meeting will take place as part of the program. The dates for the fourteenth course are September 26-29.

For information about any of these IALL activities and for membership information, please contact Roberta Shaffer, IALL Secretary, at 202/662-6152, or fax her at 202/778-6652 (Covington & Burling).

INT-LAW: A RECENT SAMPLING

by Janice Selberg
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As the INT-LAW listserv continues to grow, the need to examine its purpose and current usefulness becomes apparent.

Although most users would agree that the relatively few problems we have are probably due to the list's narrow focus and sophisticated usership, the first message below, from listowner Mila Rush is worth reviewing. My own two cents: *please* don't repeat messages when responding, at least not in their entirety.

Mila Rush, University of Minnesota, Feb. 7, 1994: A long, long time ago (well, it was really in October), I posed a couple of questions to the readership of INT-LAW. I asked for opinions on 1) long-term solutions to space requirements of Int-Law archives and 2) the list's focus, i.e. what should be posted.

I am not sure how to take the overwhelming number of responses, but the opinions received are worth noting. For some reason, I felt like putting in my own thoughts, within < >, after some of them.

On archiving and the space problem:

- "Didn't realize . . . would be a problem. In the future . . . I'll simply announce the location or availability." <This is a case where I reached the "wrong" party. This response was from somebody who, as far as I can remember, did a long posting only once, which is OK. It's the periodic, habitual, whatever, longish messages that are potentially (actually?) problem-causing. As I've said before and as this subscriber reiterates: simply announce the location or availability, and I'll add, retrieval instructions.>

- "Prefer the split housing option to a purge, if it can be accomplished."

On INT-LAW focus:

- "As open as possible. If . . . irrelevant . . . hit 'd'." <The ability to delete doesn't solve all the problems caused by irrelevant messages. With all the existing lists, redundancy and

duplication with other lists will increase with the degree of openness.>

- "Should remain true to its original goals . . . a forum for discussion about foreign, comparative, and international law information issues."

- "Like it as currently structured."

- "Ask readers not to repeat the question when answering, send information that was just put on the list."

- "No games, quizzes, hunts and similar false needs and time spoilers."

- "Keep college kids off unless they have really difficult times." <I think it will be better to set parameters based on topic or subject matter, type or level of question or help requested, whether the issue is of interest to FCI law librarianship, and the like. For examples, there are better sources on/about law schools or Internet questions or using the list for some kind of "test" or the "how are you, I'm well" messages.>

- "Drift has not been noticeable . . . should see Usenet." <INT-LAW and Usenet = apples and oranges.>

I want to sincerely thank those who took the time to respond.

Mali and Africa: Finding the Law

Aleksandr V. Kharchenko, Joint Stock Company Ukraine, Feb. 16, 1994: I've tried FTPing to the host ftp.halcyon.com: /pub/FWDP/Africa, searching for Africa-related documents. Regrettably I couldn't find anything about Mali. I am interested in the law texts (Trading Code in particular) of that country. Could anyone point me to the Internet sites where such stuff is available? Thanks a lot in advance.

G. LeGrande Fletcher, Brigham Young University, Feb. 18, 1994: . . . reminded me

of Patricia S. Kuntz's "African Studies Computer Resources" (*College & Research Libraries News*, Feb. 1994, pp. 68-73). Her essay "focuses on African studies computer resources available in the U.S. with linkages to Africa." According to her, the best contact for online connections to Mali is Paul Renaud, director of ORSTOM <renaud@ostom.fr>.

She writes the following about African linkages (posted to INT-LAW with permission):

"For readers seeking contacts in Africa, over 30 African countries have various network connections. These connections include Bitnet, Internet, Fidonet, OSI, UUCP. Larry Landweber (University of Wisconsin), co-founder of the Internet Society, provides a bi-annual update of the five network options for each African country among others. This information is available through the Internet Society:

Internet: <isoc@isoc.org>
or "gopher": (Washington, DC) Internet Society
or FTP: <FTP.cs.wisc.edu
/connectivity_table/version_9.txt>.

"In addition to Landweber's list, Karanja Gakio <gakio@ftp.com> and Randy Bush <randy@psg.com> have assembled directories of specific addresses and specialized networks in Africa."

Connectivity with Africa:

URL:gopher://gopher.psg.com:70/0/0/networks/connect/africa.txt; <server@gopher.psg.com> subject: pub.
gopher-data/networks/connect/africa.txt

Ms. Kuntz then includes a list of currently connected African countries with Internet code and connectivity. Mali is ML - UUCP. She continues:

"Depending on the official language of the country, the network service is generally associated with the colonial legacy. For instance, English-speaking countries use Bitnet, Internet, and Fidonet as popularized by the United States, Canada, and the United

Kingdom. For those francophone countries using UUCP service, the director of ORSTOM, Paul Renaud <renaud@ostom.fr> can assist with connections."

Her article also includes e-mail, distribution lists, listservs, ftp sites, telnet, fidonet, echomail, usenet, and the bulletin board system. Patricia S. Kuntz is outreach director of the African Studies Program at the University of Wisconsin-Madison; Bitnet: <kuntz@wiscmacc>; Internet: <kuntz@macc.wisc.edu>.

Ms. Kuntz's article is part of an Internet resources series in *College & Research Libraries News*. The January 1994 issue has Blake Gumprecht's "Internet Sources of Government Information" on pp. 19-22. The September 1993 issue has Michael Markin's "Internet for Russian and East European

GET INVOLVED IN YOUR SIS

by Lyonette Louis-Jacques
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1994-95 figures to be an exciting year as the United Nations celebrates its fiftieth birthday, and more and more foreign and international resources are published. Volunteer to be part of it all! Would you like to serve on an FCIL SIS committee or working group? Do you have ideas for activities for the coming year? If so, please contact:

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Thanks!

Studies" on pp. 444-48.

Renate Weidinger, Universität Konstanz, Feb. 16, 1994: Information about African legal matters is difficult to retrieve. This is particularly true for francophone African countries. The only online services I know are African Library (AFLI) on BELINDIS and the databases of the German Bundesstelle für Aussenhandels-Informationen (BfAI) available through several hosts.

A few months ago, I heard of a new CD-ROM, published in France and offering legislation of francophone African countries. Does anyone know more about it or is anyone linked to the French Library List BIBLIO-FR@univ-rennes.fr and could post there a question?

OAS Treaty Series

Carol Watson, University of Georgia, Feb. 14, 1994: Does the OAS have a bound volume treaty series? We currently receive treaties in individual pamphlets.

James P. Dufy III, Mineola, N.Y., Feb. 16, 1994: You might try Oceana in Dobbs Ferry, New York. They publish a lot of materials on treaties, including, I believe, a CD-ROM that supposedly has all the known treaties on it.

Ken Grabach, Miami University of Ohio, Feb. 15, 1994: The OAS does have a loose-leaf volume treaty series, in its 9th revision, 1993. The title is *Inter-American Treaties and Conventions: Signatures, Ratifications, and Deposits with Explanatory Notes*. I[t] said this was rev. no. 9, but I had never seen the earlier revisions, even though we have had a subscription to official records since before I came here.

Wiltrud Harms, University of California, Berkeley, Feb. 15, 1994: The OAS treaty series is only published individually in

pamphlets as you are receiving them. There is, however, one annotated compilation published by the OAS and Oceana in 1982 entitled *The Inter-American System: Treaties, Conventions and Other Documents*. The coverage is not identical to the OAS treaty series, and, of course, not as up-to-date, but it is a great source for many Inter-American treaties. So far, only volume 1, parts 1 and 2, have come out, but originally more volumes were planned.

New Committee Print: Treaties

Ellen Schaffer, Georgetown University, Feb. 8, 1994: I would like to share a title with INT-LAW subscribers. There is a new edition of a U.S. Congressional Committee Print entitled: *Treaties and Other International Agreements: The Role of the United States Senate*. It is S. Prt. 103-53 (November 1993).

It is a revised edition of an earlier, out of print text; both were done by the Congressional Research Service for the U.S. Senate Committee on Foreign Relations. It is *full* of very helpful information on the history of the treaty-making process and discusses the differences between treaties and executive agreements. You might want to order a copy before they go out of print! Great reference volume! (Oh yes, ISBN is 0-16-043209-X.)

Latin America on the Internet

Carrie Luttmann, Baker & McKenzie, Chicago, Feb. 14, 1994: I am interested in finding out what types of information on Latin America are available via the Internet. I understand there is a discussion group (LADIG-L) available as well as an Internet Gopher from the University of Texas. Could anyone let me know how to subscribe to the discussion group and provide any other sources?

Thanks a million!!

Genie Tyburski, Ballard Spahr Andrews & Ingersoll, Philadelphia, Feb. 15, 1994: I

don't know about LADIG-L, but I have a resource (Internet World's *On Internet '94* by Meckler) that gives the following discussion groups:

LASNET—a list covering Latin American topics; send subscribe message to: lasnet-request@emx.utexas.edu

LASPAU-L—Latin American Scholarship Program of American Universities provides a forum for discussing issues related to Latin America; send subscribe message to: listserv@harvard.harvard.edu

LATAM-INFO—provides a forum for the dissemination of information and discussion of matters of common concern amongst subject specialist, librarians, academic staff, postgraduate students, and others in the field of Latin American studies; send message "join LATAM-INFO <firstname> <lastname>" to: mailbase@mailbase

LATCO LIST—list devoted to the exchange of information, ideas, and discussion of business and trade with Latin America. It is administered by the Latin American Trade Council of Oregon; send subscribe message to: lserv@psg.com

Good luck!

Since Lyonette Louis-Jacques provides us all with so much information over INT-LAW, it's appropriate she has the last word in this column. Thanks, Lyo.

IGC Gopher

Geachte INT-LAWers!

IGC's gopher is another useful resource for foreign and international legal research on the Nets for materials on women, peace, environment and labor. Here's how to get there and a taste of what you'll find when you're there:

gopher.igc.org

Here's what's on the main menu:

1. About IGC Networks, APC Networks and this Gopher (background info about IGC, the Association for Progressive Communications,

PeaceNet, EcoNet, ConflictNet, LaborNet)

2. IGC Headline News

3. Environment

4. Peace, Human Rights, and Social Justice

(info about what PeaceNet is, 1993 U.S.

Congress voting records, Central America and Mexico, Cuba, the Middle East, Latin America Resources on PeaceNet, Other Related Resources on the Internet)

5. Labor

6. Women (info about APC Women's Outreach Program, "Sources for Women's Studies/Feminist Info on the Internet"—has a list of e-mail lists, but does not include FEMJUR (!), Women's Information Resource & Exchange (WIRE), Women's Studies at University of Maryland—doesn't include Case Western Reserve University Law School's Women and the Law gopher (!))

7. Magazines on the IGC Networks

8. Organizations on IGC Networks

(Environmental Law Alliance Worldwide (E-LAW), Pesticide Action Network North America (PANNA), Rainforest Action Network (RAN), Women's Organizations On-Line)

9. Progressive Gophers

10. Connect to EcoNet, PeaceNet, ConflictNet, and LaborNet

Latin American Working Group Meets in Boston

by José Torres

Library of Congress

The Latin American Law Working Group met on July 11, 1993. Jon Pratter, foreign and international law librarian at the University of Texas Law Library, chaired the meeting.

Jon started the meeting by mentioning that as the political picture of the world keeps changing drastically, the importance of Latin America increases each day, and a closer rapport between North and South America is needed. NAFTA and the privatization movement in Argentina are just two of the most often mentioned issues. Thus, the importance

of staying on top of current events and developing professional contacts is imperative.

Kathie Price, Law Librarian of Congress, updated us on the various projects currently under way at LC dealing with foreign legal materials. Ms. Price also mentioned that the 1993 Winter Institute "Introduction to Foreign Legal Systems" last February was a great success.

Amber Smith, foreign and international law librarian at Los Angeles County Law Library, mentioned the availability of several bilingual (Spanish-English) legal dictionaries. She also mentioned that the State Department had offered several gazettes to the LA County Law Library.

Lynn Shirey, bibliographer for Latin American law at Harvard, mentioned that she has found worthwhile attending SALALM meetings.

Dan Wade, foreign and international law librarian at Yale, summarized his presentation at the IGO summer institute and distributed several handouts.

Tom Reynolds, associate law librarian at the University of California, Berkeley, spoke about the problems with ephemeral publications and his various experiences in dealing with different vendors and publishers in Latin America. Tom expressed his willingness to exchange information with other

law librarians through the various communications means currently available, with the exception of e-mail.

Different speakers agreed that probably the best thing to do when buying books is to go personally to the particular country.

Francisco Avalos, foreign law librarian at the University of Arizona, spoke about older Latin American collections in the United States.

Luz Sadak, law librarian at the Inter-American Development Bank, spoke about reference services that the library may provide, including sending copies of recently enacted laws. This is possible because the bank has offices in every Latin American country.

Other comments worth highlighting:

- Dan Wade spoke at some length about the AALL 1993 Winter Institute "Introduction to Foreign Legal Systems."
- A database project on world law and legislation is currently under way at the Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México.
- Margareta Horiba, acquisitions librarian at Tulane University Law Library, and Edgardo Rotman, foreign and international law librarian at the University of Miami, are some of the several AALL members that will be attending the 1993 International Association of Law Libraries meeting in Barcelona, Spain.

NOTES AND COMMENTS

MARTA TARNAWSKY RETIRES AS F/I LIBRARIAN AT PENN

by Maria Smolka-Day
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Marta Tarnawsky, associate library director for foreign and international law at the Biddle Law Library of the University of Pennsylvania Law School, retired on December 31, 1993. For twenty-seven years she was in charge of

Biddle's foreign and international collection with responsibility for book selection, cataloging, and reference. She taught an advanced law school course in legal research. Throughout her career she published widely and was active in professional library associations.

Throughout her life Marta has also been deeply interested in Ukrainian literature and culture. She is an accomplished poet,

translator, and literary critic, as was her late husband, Ostap Tarnawsky. She made significant contributions to the development of Ukrainian libraries in America. She authored several bibliographies of Ukrainian literature and criticism. Upon her retirement she looks forward to spending even more time on these projects. One of these projects is an on-going bibliography of Ukrainian legal materials in English. Librarians with questions about Ukrainian legal sources will still be able to reach her via e-mail at mtarnaw@oyez.law.upenn.edu. Her colleagues at Biddle and around the country will miss her.

AALL SCHOLARSHIPS

*by Daniel W. Martin
Pepperdine University*

The American Association of Law Libraries announces the availability of the following scholarships:

- Type I: Library degree for law school graduates. Awarded to a graduate of an accredited law school. Preference given to AALL members, but scholarships are not restricted to members. Preference in selection is given to persons with meaningful law library experience. Evidence of financial need must be submitted.
- Type II: Library school graduates attending law school. Awarded to a library school graduate who is in the process of working toward a law degree in an accredited law school, who has no more than 36 semester (54 quarter) credit hours of study remaining before qualifying for the law degree, and who has meaningful law library experience. Preference given to members of AALL, but scholarships are not restricted to members. Evidence of financial need must be submitted.
- Type III: Library degree for non-law school graduates. Awarded to a college graduate with meaningful law library experience who is a degree candidate in an accredited library school. Preference given to

members of AALL, but scholarships are not restricted to members. Preference given to applicants working for degrees with emphasis on courses in law librarianship. Evidence of financial need must be submitted.

- Type IV: Special course in law librarianship. Awarded to law librarians for a course related to law librarianship. Scholarships restricted to members of AALL. Evidence of financial need must be submitted.
- The George A. Strait Minority Stipend: \$3,500 awarded to a member of a minority group who is a college graduate with library experience, who is working toward an advanced degree which would further her/his law library career. Preference will be given to individuals with previous service to, or interest in, law librarianship. Applicants must show evidence of financial need.

Applications are available from AALL Headquarters after Dec. 1, 1993. Completed applications are due at Headquarters on April 1, 1994, and awards will be made shortly thereafter. Interested applicants should write Headquarters, indicating the type of scholarship form desired, and enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope. Write: American Association of Law Libraries, Suite 940, Scholarship, 53 West Jackson Blvd., Chicago, IL 60604.

SEATTLE '94 PROGRAMS

Here is a selective list of programs scheduled for the AALL Annual Meeting in Seattle of interest to FCIL SIS members:

- North of the 42nd Parallel: A Core Collection of Canadian Legal Materials for a U.S. Law Library
- The Inherent Problems of Legal Translations
- Beyond Rio: NAFTA, the GATT, the EC and International Environmental Law
- The Nations Within: Tribal Sovereignty in North America (Parts 1 and 2)
- Japanese Legal History

ADDITIONS TO THE LIST OF VOLUNTEERS

compiled by Dan Wade
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[In the February 1993 issue of *FCIL Newsletter*, Dan Wade published a "List of Foreign and International Law Librarians Who Have Expressed a Willingness to Help Non-Experts" (pp. 19-28). Here is the list of additional names to be included with the February 1993 list:]

JURISDICTIONAL OR SUBJECT EXPERTISE

China

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ONLINE OR CD-ROM DATABASES

Word processing, Chinese

Xiannian Ye

LANGUAGES

Chinese

Xiannian Ye

Danish

Suzanne Thorpe

Norwegian

Suzanne Thorpe

Swedish

Suzanne Thorpe

INTERESTS (NO EXPERTISE CLAIMED)

Business Related Subjects

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Summer Institute on Transnational Legal Transactions

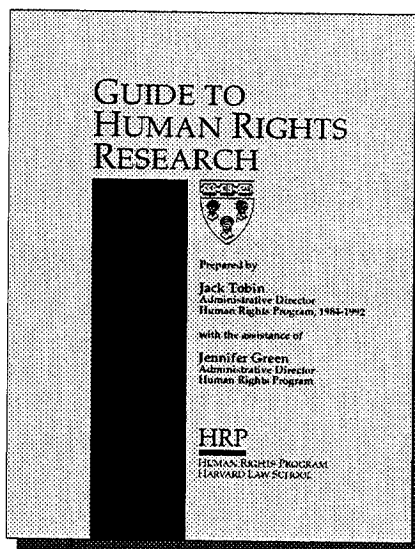
Transnational legal transactions is the topic of the AALL summer institute to be held at the University of Washington July 5-8, just preceding the AALL Annual Meeting in Seattle. This is the third in a series of institutes designed to educate the next generation of foreign and international law librarians.

The institute will include individual sessions on transnational procedural issues, international criminal litigation, private international law, commercial law, and commercial arbitration. The faculty for this institute includes practicing lawyers, law school professors, and law librarians. Program coordinators are Marilyn Raisch, foreign and international law librarian at Columbia Law School Library, and Roberta Shaffer, librarian at Covington & Burling in Washington, D.C. Penny Hazelton, professor of law and director of the Gallagher Law Library at the University of Washington, is in charge of local arrangements.

The previous institutes for training the next generation of foreign and international law librarians have been both popular and successful. The original plans for this series, as well as much of the work on individual institutes, relied heavily on FCIL SIS members. We can all be grateful for the contribution our SIS has made to the profession.

CONTINUING EDUCATION CALENDAR 1994

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| <p>April 6-9 American Society of International Law, 88th Annual Conference, Washington, D.C. The theme of the conference is "Rethinking Sovereignty." Contact Melissa Sochurek, Meetings Manager, for detailed information. Telephone 202/939-6020, or Fax 202/797-7133.</p> | <p>July 9-14 American Association of Law Libraries Annual Meeting, Seattle, Washington.</p> |
| <p>April 17-23 National Library Week, theme is "Libraries Change Lives".</p> | <p>August 5-7 African-American Librarians National Conference, Milwaukee, WI. Contact Estelle Black, National Conference Chair, Assistant Director, Rockford Public Library, 215 N. Wyman St., Rockford, IL 61101. Telephone 815/965-6731 or fax 815/965-0866.</p> |
| <p>April 17-23 The National Legal Research Teach-In, sponsored by the Research Instruction Caucus of the AALL.</p> | <p>August 16-20 International Association of Law Libraries (IALL) Joint Meeting with CARLL (Caribbean Association of Law Libraries), Trinidad/Tobago.</p> |
| <p>May 10-12 15th National Online Meeting and Integrated Online Library Systems '94. New York, NY.</p> | <p>August 21-26 International Federation of Library Associations, Havana, Cuba. IALL (International Association of Law Libraries) program, "UN International Year of the Family: Family Law Survey and Sources," Havana, Cuba. This meeting is held in conjunction with IFLA, specific date to be determined.</p> |
| <p>May 11-13 "Virtual Reality '94", San Jose, CA. For more information contact Meckler Conference Management 1-800-226-6967.</p> | <p>Sept. 9-12 British and Irish Association of Law Librarians, Grand Hotel, Birmingham, UK. Contact: Mrs. Lynn Quiney, Chair; Telephone 071/320-5696 or fax 071/831-1687.</p> |
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