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Preface to the ninth edition

The last edition of Volume I of Oppenheim's International Law, the 8th, was published as long ago as 1955, and the work on it had been completed during the previous year. That distinguished edition, like the 5th, 6th and 7th before it, was prepared by Professor Hersch Lauterpacht (as he was, before going on to become a Judge on the International Court of Justice in 1955, and to receive a knighthood). Hersch Lauterpacht intended to prepare a 9th edition and had done a lot of work to that end. His untimely death in 1960 intervened before the project could be completed. Happily, however, the work which he had done in preparing for a 9th edition was published subsequently by his son, Mr Eli Lauterpacht CBE QC, as part of Hersch Lauterpacht's Collected Papers. Readers of those materials will be aware that Hersch Lauterpacht intended that the 9th edition would be a re-writing almost more than a new edition. Obviously we were neither able nor indeed qualified to attempt in any way to complete the kind of new volume that Hersch Lauterpacht had intended.

When, some years later, we began work on revising the 8th edition we were aware that any attempt to revise a work with the standing and reputation of Lauterpacht's 'Oppenheim' was not one to be undertaken at all lightly. There is indeed, a question whether the kind of work on international law exemplified by 'Oppenheim' still finds a useful place at the present time, when the scope of international law and the range of state activities have both increased beyond all bounds. Yet, perhaps because of this very increase, there does seem a continuing need for a book which presents this material as part of a coherent structure, even though we recognise that in many areas those who are researching the law in any detail will need to refer to specialist works on particular topics.

A further factor has been the vast increase in the material which is now available. The number of international legal periodicals and Year Books increases all the time; so do collections of state practice, together with the number of states whose practice now influences international law; the documentation available from international organisations is now vast; and collections of relevant material in valuable works such as the *International Law Reports* (now 85 volumes, compared with 15 when the 8th edition was prepared), and *International Legal Materials* (a new publication since 1962) have transformed the scale of the work of those concerned with the study and practice of international law.

In addition to the new material now available, there have been substantial changes in the body of international law since the mid-1950s. Perhaps the most noticeable have been the major treaties concluded since then as a result of the work of the International Law Commission, or separately as with the Law of the

Sea Convention 1982. Indeed, if one considers the major Treaties on State Succession, Law of the Sea, Nationality, Diplomatic and Consular Relations, and the Law of Treaties, it is apparent that a considerable portion of the 8th edition needed substantial rewriting simply on their account. Some other parts of international law are either new, or so vastly developed compared with how matters stood in the 1950s that they need to be considered as virtually new subjects. Outer space, Antarctica, the new-type fishing zones, the Exclusive Economic Zones, deep-sea mining, human rights, economic rights and duties of states, and self-determination spring to mind in this context; and recent growth in concern for the environment has demonstrated that this is a continuing process.

With this great increase in both the available material and the content and scope of the subject, we have felt it necessary to make a number of changes in this

present 9th edition.

Perhaps the most substantial change has been made in recognition of the extent to which the law and practice relating to international organisations have now become a separate field of study. It no longer seems useful to attempt to include a necessarily brief summary in the present volume, and better for these matters to be dealt with in a separate volume. It is the intention, therefore, that, having deleted those sections from the present volume, there will be in due course a new

Volume III of 'Oppenheim' to deal with international organisations.

Other changes are less far-reaching, but should nevertheless be noted here. In order to allow more room for dealing with matters of contemporary relevance, we have deleted the chapter dealing with the history of international law; this again is now a matter which is well treated in specialised works. We have faced difficult decisions over the bibliographies for each chapter. To the researcher, the tradition of very full bibliographies, going back many years, has been a valuable feature of 'Oppenheim'. However, pressure of space and the passage of time have made it necessary to cut down on the bibliographies. First, we have omitted from all bibliographies material preceding the 1914-18 War: that older material dealt with a world so different from today's that it can only be of limited value for current international law. Bibliographical material going back to 1918 does, nevertheless, still cover just over 70 years. Second, we have as a general rule not included in bibliographies references to general textbooks on international law. This is in no sense any disparagement of their value, but simply a recognition that any serious researcher or practitioner wishing to enquire into any particular matter is likely, as a matter of course, to consult other leading textbooks, whose structures and indexes will readily provide access to their contribution to the subject in question.

Despite these changes, and of course others throughout the volume necessary in the course of bringing the work up to date, we have been able to a very large extent to keep to the arrangement of subjects as it has traditionally appeared in 'Oppenheim'. In doing so we have thought it better to start afresh with the numbering of paragraphs (§§), so that they now run consecutively throughout

the volume from §1 to §669.

Not only have we followed so far as possible the structure of 'Oppenheim' but we have also tried wherever possible to keep the language of the 8th edition, where it still in substance represents the state of the law. We have also retained the practice of a liberal use of footnotes, which has been such a distinctive feature

of 'Oppenheim'. This reflects one of the principal characteristics of 'Oppenheim' which we have sought to preserve and enhance wherever possible. That is its status as a practitioner's book, rather than as an academic treatise, and its attempt to provide a helpful beginning for an inquiry into particular problems. We believe that the wealth of material relating to state practice which it is possible to include in the footnotes makes a valuable contribution to the use of 'Oppenheim' by practitioners.

It is a similar concern for the interests of practitioners which has led us to include in footnotes extensive citations of decisions of national courts as well as of international courts. This has value not only within the framework of common law systems, with their reliance upon judicial precedent, but also more generally, and irrespective of the legal system within which a practitioner operates, by illustrating the way in which particular practical issues arise and are dealt with. In referring to cases we have concluded that it is often more useful to give references to reports which are likely to be available to international lawyers in many countries, rather than always to give references to national law reports which it may be difficult for lawyers in other countries to consult. The one general exception to this practice is in relation to reports of cases decided in the United Kingdom, where, generally, only the national law reports are referred to.

In this new edition we have endeavoured to state the law as it stood on 1 January 1991, although in some instances it has proved possible to take account of developments as late as the autumn of that year. We should also say that while, in performing our editorial task, we have divided the initial work on the various chapters between us, we have each seen, commented on and contributed to all the chapters, so that we have a shared responsibility for the volume as a whole. We must also add, lest there be any doubt, that although during the preparation of this edition we have been associated with the institutions identified on the title page, the views expressed in this volume represent our personal views as editors and do not necessarily reflect the views of those institutions.

We have already noted the intention to prepare a Volume III, on international organisations. We should add that it is also intended to prepare a new edition (which will be the 8th) of Volume II, on disputes and armed conflict; we have therefore left for that volume discussion of, for example, the dispute settlement provisions of the Law of the Sea Convention, along with other similar dispute settlement aspects of substantive matters dealt with in this present Volume I.

We wish, finally, to record our thanks to the many people who, despite many discouragements, have made the publication of this volume possible. These are particularly due to all those at Longman who have worked so patiently and devotedly to bring this project to a conclusion. In addition we have benefitted enormously from the comments and suggestions of many colleagues who have with great generosity spared time to cast an eye over various passages.

RYJ

ADW

Abbreviations

The books referred to in the bibliography and notes are, as a rule, quoted with their full titles and the date of their publication. But certain books and periodicals which are often referred to throughout this work are quoted in an abbreviated form. The list omits abbreviations of national law reports.

Accioly Accioly, Tratado de direito internacional público, 3 vols (1933-35)

AD Annual Digest and Reports of Public International Law Cases: vols 1 and 2, covering the

years 1919–24, edited by Sir John Fischer Williams and H Lauterpacht; vols 3 and 4, covering 1925–28, edited by A D McNair and H Lauterpacht; vols 5–15, covering 1929–48, edited

by H Lauterpacht. Thereafter see ILR

AFDI Annuaire français de droit international

AJ American Journal of International Law

Ann Suisse Annuaire Suisse de droit international

Annuaire Annuaire de l'Institut de Droit International

Anzilotti Anzilotti, Corso di diritto internazionale, vol 1, 3rd ed (1928) (Fr trans by Gidel,

1929); vol 3, pt 1 (1915)

AS Proceedings Proceedings of the American Society of International Law

Aust YBIL Australian Year Book of International Law

Balladore Pallieri Balladore Pallieri, Diritto internazionale pubblico (1937)

Baty Baty, The Canons of International Law (1930)

BFSP British and Foreign State Papers (Hertslet), vol 1 (for 1812-14), continued up to vol 170 (for 1968)

Bibliotheca Visseriana Bibliotheca Visseriana Dissertationum Jus Internationale Illustrantium Bittner Bittner, Die Lehre von völkerrechtlichen Urkunden (1924)

Bluntschli Bluntschli, Das moderne Völkerrecht der civilisirten Staaten als Rechtsbuch dargestellt, 3rd ed (1878)

Borchard Borchard, The Diplomatic Protection of Citizens Abroad (1915)

BPIL E Lauterpacht, British Practice in International Law, pts for 1963-67

Brierly Brierly, The Law of Nations, 6th ed (1963)

Bustamante Bustamante, Derecho internacional público, 3 vols (1933-35)

BY British Year Book of International Law

Calvo, Le Droit international théorique et pratique, 5th ed, 6 vols (1896)

Can YBIL Canadian Year Book of International Law

Cavaglieri Cavaglieri, Lezioni di diritto internazionale (general part, 1925)
CILJSA Comparative and International Law Journal of Southern Africa

CL Current Law

CLJ Cambridge Law Journal

Clunet Journal du droit international

CML Rev Common Market Law Review

Colombos, The International Law of the Sea, 6th ed (1967)

Cruchaga Cruchaga-Tocornal, Nociones de derecho internacional, 3rd ed, 2 vols (1923-25)

Dicey and Morris Dicey and Morris, Conflict of Laws, 11th ed (1987)

Dickinson, Cases Dickinson, Cases and Other Materials on International Law (1950)

Documents Documents on International Affairs

DS Bull Department of State Bulletin

ECTS United Kingdom European Community Treaty Series, vol 1 (1974), and annual volumes subsequently

European Year Book

Fauchille Fauchille, Traité de droit international public, 8th ed of Bonfils' Manuel de droit international public, vol 1, pt 1 (1922); vol 1, pt 2 (1925); vol 1, pt 3 (1926); vol 2 (1921)

Fenwick Fenwick, International Law, 3rd ed (1948)

Fiore Fiore, Nouveau droit international public (Fr trans by Antoine from 2nd Italian ed), 3 vols (1885)

Fiore, Code Fiore, International Law Codified (Eng trans by Borchard from 5th Italian ed)
(1918)

Fischer Williams, Chapters Fischer Williams, Chapters on Current International Law and the League of Nations (1929)

Fontes Juris Gentium. Series A: successive vols published periodically from 1931 digesting decisions of the PCIJ, ICJ, and the Permanent Court of Arbitration (pt 1), and decisions of German courts relating to public international law (pt 2)

Ga JIL Georgia Journal of International Law

Ga JI & CL Georgia Journal of International and Comparative Law

Ga Law Rev Georgia Law Review

Garner, Developments Garner, Recent Developments in International Law (1925)

Gemma, Appunti di diritto internazionale (1923)

Genet Genet, Traité de diplomatie et de droit diplomatique, 3 vols (1931-32)

Geo LJ Georgetown Law Journal

Germ YBIL German Year Book of International Law

Gidel Gidel, Le Droit international public de la mer, le temps de paix: vol 1. Introduction – La Haute mer (1932); vol 2. Les eaux intérieures (1932); vol 3. La Mer territoriale et la zone contiguë (1934)

Grotius Grotius, De Jure Belli ac Pacis (1625)
Grotius Annuaire Grotius Annuaire International
Grotius Society Transactions of the Grotius Society

Guggenheim Guggenheim, Lehrbuch des Völkerrechts, pts 1 and 2 (1947)

Hackworth Hackworth, Digest of International Law, 7 vols (1940-43)

Hag R Recueil des cours, Académie de Droit International de La Haye

Hague YBIL Hague Year Book of International Law

Hall, A Treatise on International Law, 8th ed (1924) by A Pearce Higgins

Harv ILJ Harvard International Law Journal

Harv Research Research in International Law. Under the auspices of the Harvard Law School.

Draft conventions prepared for the codification of international law. Directed by M O Hudson: (1929) 1. Nationality (Reporter: Flournoy); 2. Responsibility of States (Borchard); 3. Territorial Waters (G G Wilson); (1932) 1. Diplomatic Privileges and Immunities (Reeves); 2. Legal Position and Functions of Consuls (Quincy Wright); 3. Competence of Courts in regard to Foreign States (Jessup); 4. Piracy (Bingham); 5. A Collection of Piracy Laws of Various Countries (Morrison); (1935) 1. Extradition (Burdick); 2. Jurisdiction with respect to Crime (Dickinson); 3. Treaties (Garner)

Heffter Heffter, Das europäische Völkerrecht der Gegenwart, 8th ed by Geffcken (1888)
Heilborn, System Heilborn, Das System des Völkerrechts entwickelt aus den völkerrechtlichen
Begriffen (1896)

Hertslet's Commercial Treaties Hertslet, Collection of Treaties and Conventions between Great Britain and Other Powers, so far as they relate to Commerce and Navigation, 31 vols (1820-1925) (reprinted in 10 vols, 1970)

HLR Harvard Law Review

Holland, Lectures Holland, Lectures on International Law, eds T A and W L Walker (1933)

Holland, Studies Holland, Studies in International Law (1898)

Holtzendorff Holtzendorff, Handbuch des Völkerrechts, 4 vols (1885-89)

Hudson Cases Hudson, Cases and Other Materials on International Law, 3rd ed (1951)

Hudson, Legislation Hudson, International Legislation, vols 1-9 (1931-50)

Hyde Hyde, International Law, chiefly as interpreted and applied by the United States, 2nd ed, 3 vols (1947)

IBS International Boundary Service

ICLQ International and Comparative Law Quarterly

ILM International Legal Materials

ILQ International Law Quarterly, 4 vols, 1947-51

International Law Reports (in continuation of AD), vols 16-23 (ed H Lauterpacht) cover-ILR ing 1949 to 1956; vol 24 (eds H and E Lauterpacht) for 1957; vols 25 and 26 (ed E Lauterpacht) for 1958; vols 27-81 (ed E Lauter-

pacht); vols 82 onwards (eds E Lauterpacht and Greenwood)

Indian JIL Indian Journal of International Law

Int Stud International Studies

Israel YBHR Israel Year Book on Human Rights Ital YBIL Italian Year Book of International Law

JCL Journal of Comparative Legislation and International Law Jewish Year Book of International Law **JYBIL**

Keith's Wheaton Wheaton's Elements of International Law, 6th Eng ed by A Berriedale Keith, vol 1 (1929); vol 2, 7th ed (1944)

Kiss, Répertoire Kiss, Répertoire de la Pratique française en matière de droit international public, 7 vols (1962–72)

Lapradelle-Politis Lapradelle-Politis, Recueil des arbitrages internationaux, vol 1 (1905); vol 2 (1924)

H Lauterpacht, Analogies H Lauterpacht, Private Law Sources and Analogies of International Law (1927)

H Lauterpacht, The Function of Law H Lauterpacht, The Function of Law in the International Community (1933)

Lawrence Lawrence, The Principles of International Law, 7th ed, revised by P H Winfield (1923)

Lindley, The Acquisition and Government of Backward Territory in International Law Lindley (1926)

Liszt Liszt, Das Völkerrecht, 12th ed by Fleischmann (1925)

League of Nations Treaty Series. Publication of Treaties and International Engagements LNTS registered with the Secretariat of the League of Nations

Lorimer Lorimer, The Institutes of International Law, 2 vols (1883-84) LOS Convention United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea 1982

De Louter De Louter, Le Droit international public positif (Fr trans from Dutch original), 2 vols (1920)

LQR Law Quarterly Review

McNair, Opinions McNair, International Law Opinions, 3 vols (1956)

McNair, Treaties McNair, Law of Treaties (1961)

Maine Maine, International Law, 2nd ed (1894)

Martens, Völkerrecht (Germ trans from Russian original), 2 vols (1883-86) Martens

Martens, Causes célèbres Martens, Causes célèbres du droit des gens, 2nd ed, 5 vols (1858-61) Martens, G F GF Martens, Précis du droit des gens moderne de l'Europe, new ed by Vergé, 2 vols (1858)

Martens, R, Martens, NR, Martens, NS, Martens, NRG, Martens, NRG, 2nd series, Martens,

NRG, 3rd series These are the abbreviated quotations of the different parts of Martens, Recueil de Traités, which are in

common use

Mérignhac Mérignhac, Traité de droit public international, vol 1 (1905); vol 2 (1907); vol 3 (1912)

MLR Modern Law Review

Möller Möller, International Law in Peace and War (Eng trans from Danish), vol 1 (1931); vol 2 (1935)

Moore, A Digest of International Law, 8 vols (1906)

Moore, International Arbitrations Moore, History and Digest of the International Arbitrations to which the United States has been a Party, 6 vols (1898)

Nat Res Lawyer Natural Resources Lawyer

Neth IL Rev Netherlands International Law Review

Neth YBIL Netherlands Year Book of International Law

Nordisk TA Nordisk Tidskrift for International Ret. Acta scandinavica juris gentium

Nys, Le Droit international, 2nd ed, 3 vols (1912)

NYULQR New York University Law Quarterly Review NYULR New York University Law Review

Ocean Dev & IL Ocean Development and International Law

Off J Official Journal of the League of Nations

OJ Official Journal of the European Community

ÖJZ Österreichische Juristen Zeitung

ÖZöR Österreichische Zeitschrift für öffentliches Recht

Parry, BDIL Parry, British Digest of International Law, vol 2b (1967); vols 5-8 (1965)

Parry, Nationality and Citizenship Parry, Nationality and Citizenship Laws of the Commonwealth and Republic of Ireland (1957), and vol 2 (1960)

PCIJ Publications of the Permanent Court of International Justice:

Series A Judgments

B Advisory opinions

A/B Cumulative collection of judgments and advisory opinions given since 1931

C Acts and documents relating to judgments and advisory opinions

D Collection of texts governing the jurisdiction of the court

E Annual reports

Perels Perels, Das internationale öffentliche Seerecht de Gegenwart, 2nd ed (1903)

Phillimore, Commentaries upon International Law, 3rd ed, 4 vols (1879-88)

Praag Praag, Jurisdiction et droit international public (1915)

Praag, Supplément Supplement to the above (1935)

Pradier-Fodéré Pradier-Fodéré, Traité de droit international public, 8 vols (1885-1906)

Pufendorf Pufendorf, De Jure Naturae et Gentium (1672)

Ralston Ralston, The Law and Procedure of International Tribunals, rev ed (1926); supplement (1936)

Ray, Commentaire Ray, Commentaire du Pacte (1930)

Recueil TAM Recueil des décisions des tribunaux arbitraux mixtes

Reddie, Researches Reddie, Researches, Historical and Critical, in Maritime International Law, 2 vols (1844)

Répertoire Lapradelle et Niboyet, Répertoire de droit international. Founded by Darras in 1929 Restatement (Third) American Law Institute, Restatement of the Law: the Foreign Relations of the United States, 3rd ed, 2 vols (1987)

Rev Belge Revue Belge de droit international

RG Revue générale de droit international public

RI Revue de droit international et de législation comparée

RIAA United Nations Reports of International Arbitral Awards

RIF Revue internationale française du droit des gens

RI (Geneva) Revue de droit international, de sciences diplomatiques, politiques et sociales

RI (Paris) Revue de droit international

Rivier Rivier, Principes du droit des gens, 2 vols (1896)

Rivista Rivista di diritto internazionale

Rousseau, Principes généraux du droit international public, vol 1 (1944). The same

author's Droit International Public, 2nd ed, 5 vols (1970-83), is

referred to in full where necessary

Satow Satow, A Guide to Diplomatic Practice, 5th ed by Gore-Booth (1979)

SAYBIL South African Year Book of International Law

Scand SL Scandinavian Studies in Law

Scelle Scelle, Précis de droit des gens, vol 1 (1932); vol 2 (1934)

Schücking und Wehberg Schücking und Wehberg, Die Satzung des Völkerbundes, 2nd ed (1924)

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Scott, Cases Scott, Cases on International Law (1922)

Sibert, Traité de droit international public, 2 vols (1951)

Sirey Recueil général des lois et des arrêts (founded by Sirey)

Smith Smith, Great Britain and the Law of Nations, a Selection of Documents, vol 1 (1932); vol 2 (1935)

Spiropoulos Spiropoulos, Traité théorique et pratique de droit international public (1933)

Stan JIS Stanford Journal of International Studies

Stowell, International Law. A Restatement of Principles in Conformity with Actual Practice (1931)

Strupp, Éléments Strupp, Éléments du droit international public, universel, européen et américain, 2nd ed, 3 vols (1930)

Strupp, Wört. Wörterbuch des Völkerrechts und der Diplomatie (ed Strupp, begun by Hatschek), 3 vols (1924-29)

Strupp-Schlochauer, Wört. Wörterbuch des Völkerrechts, 3 vols (1960-62) Suarez Suarez, Tratado de Derecho internacional público, 2 vols (1916)

Syr JIL & Com Syracuse Journal of International Law and Commerce

Temperley Temperley, History of the Peace Conference of Paris, 6 vols (1920–24)

Testa Testa, Le droit public international maritime (Fr trans by Boutiron from Portuguese)

(1886)

TIAS US Treaties and other International Acts

Toynbee, Survey Toynbee, Survey of International Affairs

Travers, Le droit pénal international, 5 vols (1920-22)

TS United Kingdom Treaty Series, vol 1 (1892), and one or more volumes every year Twiss, The Law of Nations, etc, 2 vols, 2nd ed, vol 1. Peace (1884); vol 2. War (1875)

UK Contemporary Practice E Lauterpacht, Contemporary Practice of the United Kingdom in the Field of International Law, pts for 1956-62

UKMIL United Kingdom Materials on International Law (in BY)

UN Juridical YB United Nations Juridical Year Book

UN Repertoire Repertoire of the Practice of the Security Council 1946-1951 (1954), with Supplements for 1952-55, (1957) 1956-58 (1959), 1959-63 (1965), 1964-65 (1968), 1966-68 (1971), 1969-71 (1976), 1972-74 (1979) and 1975-80 (1987)

UNTS United Nations Treaty Series
UNYB United Nations Year Book

US Digest Digest of United States Practice in International Law, published in annual vols, 1973 onwards

UST US Treaties and other International Agreements

USTS US Treaty Series

Vattel Vattel, Le Droit des gens, 4 books in 2 vols, new ed (1773)

Verdross Verdross, Die Verfassung der Völkerrechtsgemeinschaft (1926)

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Wharton Wharton, A Digest of the International Law of the United States, 3 vols (1886)

Wheaton Wheaton, Elements of International Law, 8th US ed by Dana (1866)
Whiteman, Digest Whiteman, Digest of International Law, 15 vols (1963-73)

Yale JIL Yale Journal of International Law

YBECHR Year Book of the European Convention on Human Rights

YBILC Year Book of the International Law Commission

ZI Zeitschrift für internationales Recht

ZLW Zeitschrift für Luft und Weltraumrecht

ZöR Zeitschrift für öffentliches Recht

ZöV Zeitschrift für ausländisches öffentliches Recht und Völkerrecht

ZV Zeitschrift für Völkerrecht

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