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## FOREWORD

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*If there is no struggle, there is no progress – Fredrick Douglass<sup>1</sup>*

Following a tumultuous year, the *Washington International Law Journal*'s staff is proud to present Volume 30's first installment. Like other organizations, the Journal was forced to work completely remote for the first time in its existence. Notwithstanding the challenges COVID-19 presented, both our authors and editorial team's resilience in the face of adversity shined bright. That exceptional ability is exemplified in the scholarship that I am proud to present within this Fall 2020 issue.

This issue further expands on our Journal's commitment to promoting articles and student-written comments on diverse legal topics from across the globe, with an emphasis on East Asia. More specifically, Volume 30, Issue I, focuses on themes highlighted in 2020. These include secondary sanction regimes, screen scraping legal actions, and the all-encompassing COVID-19 pandemic.

Volume 30, Issue I, begins with Patrick Terry's analytical critique of the United States' secondary sanction regime, which arguably violates international law. Next, Han-Wei Liu maps screen scraping jurisprudence across three common law jurisdictions—the United States, the United Kingdom, and Australia—in the context of open banking. We then turn to Philipp Renninger's in-depth study of Wuhan's COVID-19 response, which provides a detailed account of the positive and negative effects that China's "total war" against the virus had. Finally, we turn to our two student comments. First, Carl Peterson presents the contemporary legal framework for private military forces, while illustrating the need for a new oversight regime as their use increases across the globe. Second, our issue concludes with Hannah Godwin's analysis about the legal complications surrounding artifact repatriation, through the case-study of the British Museum. Together, these timely pieces create and add to important legal trends touching on jurisdictions world-wide.

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<sup>1</sup> FREDERICK DOUGLASS, *West India Emancipation*, in FREDERICK DOUGLASS: SELECTED SPEECHES AND WRITINGS 404, 412 (Philip S. Foner & Yuval Taylor eds., Lawrence Hill Books 1999).

Projects like publishing a law journal take a village, and the *Washington International Law Journal* is no exception. We rely on the support of not only scholars and alumni, but also University of Washington faculty members. Without them, publishing legal scholarship at the forefront of international law would prove a most difficult challenge. On behalf of Volume 30's Executive Board, I thank the University of Washington School of Law's Professor Scott Schumacher, Dean Jessica Brase, and Dean Jonathon Franklin. Their wisdom and support during these novel times have been invaluable to the Journal this past year.

I would also like to thank the Journal's Board of Directors. Their collaboration and counsel have helped steer our publication throughout both the pandemic and this Issue's development. Particularly, I would like to thank the past Editors-in-Chief Daniel Cairns and Jack Brumbaugh for imparting their valuable insight on me. I would also like to thank Volume 29's Editor-in-Chief, Casey Yamasaki, for taking time to prepare me for this position. Her leadership and work over her tenure helped position the Journal for success in Volume 30.

Lastly, producing this publication would not be possible without the drive, grit, and meticulous attention to detail from our remarkable Volume 30 editorial staff. In the face of immense adversity—circumnavigating a global pandemic and economic crisis—our Journal members have worked diligently on this Issue's scholarship. Our new second-year members embraced the challenge as our third-year members guided their efforts. The demands were great, but often if there is no struggle, there is no progress.

We, the *Washington International Law Journal*'s editorial team, are proud to present you this compilation of legal scholarship. Without further ado, please enjoy!