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The staff of the *Washington International Law Journal* presents the first installment of Volume 31. Until recently, the *Washington International Law Journal* was the *Pacific Rim Law & Policy Journal* and was limited to the Pacific Rim and related law and policy. The Journal’s scope expanded in Volume 24 to include all international, foreign, and comparative law topics. This issue seeks to further implement this expansion with articles and comments addressing a wide range of international and foreign law topics.

In Volume 31, Issue I, readers will explore global topics within a broad international framework, from trust disputes to trade tariffs, from drug policy to the use of courts abroad.

This issue begins with Julian Chaise and Debashis Chakraborty’s comparative analysis of tariff and contingency policies of the United States, the European Union, China, and India, in order to gauge each country’s willingness for future tariff reforms. Following, Francisca Pou Giménez and Catalina Pérez Correa explore the unconstitutionality of drug prohibition policies in Mexico and detail potential alternative approaches. Next, Ying Khai Liew examines the uncertainty in cross-border trust disputes in East Asia by delving into the lack of comprehensive choice of law rules. Finally, the issue concludes with Molly Utter’s student comment. There, Molly discusses the use of community courts as a tool of political control in Mozambique.

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We are proud to present our readers with this compilation of foreign and international law scholarship. With that, we present the first issue of Volume 31.

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