

The Organization Of American States As The Advocate And Guardian Of Democracy An Insiders Critical Assessment Of Its Role In Promoting And Defending Democracy

"Carefully prepared scholarly work that fully annotates official and unofficial sources with 661 entries covering broad range of categories (various citations fall under more than one). A useful starting point for anyone interested in the Organization of American States and Pan Americanism. Excellent index"--Handbook of Latin American Studies, v. 57.

The Organization of American States (OAS) is the world's oldest regional multifunctional organization. This work provides a clear and comprehensive discussion of this important body, dealing with security, technical cooperation, and the construction of democratic institutions. Providing an incisive analysis of the history, decision making procedures, relevance, functions, and operations of the OAS, this book also examines the organization in the context of the web of international and regional institutions that deal with global governance and international politics in the Western Hemisphere. In this accessible and concise text, Mônica Herz seeks to move beyond the well-studied roles of the OAS as a tool of foreign policy and assess the increasing significance of its independent normative and operational activities. Providing an important resource to those seeking to fully understand the activities and impact of the OAS, this work will be essential reading for all students of Latin American politics, international

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organization, and global governance.

Nationality, argues Peter Hall, did not follow directly from the colonists' declaration of independence from England, nor from the political union of the states under the Constitution of 1789. It was, rather, the product of organizations which socialized individuals to a national outlook. These institutions were the private corporations which Americans used after 1790 to carry on their central activities of production. The book is in three parts. In the first part the social and economic development of the American colonies is considered. In New England, population growth led to the breakdown of community - and the migration of people to both the cities and the frontier. New England's merchants and professionals tried to maintain community leadership in the context of capitalism and democracy and developed a remarkable dependence on private corporations and the eleemosynary trust, devices that enabled them to exert influence disproportionate to their numbers. Part two looks at the problem of order and authority after 1790. Tracing the role of such New England-influenced corporate institutions as colleges, religious bodies, professional societies, and businesses, Hall shows how their promoters sought to "civilize" the increasingly diverse and dispersed American people. With Jefferson's triumph in 1800, these institutions turned to new means of engineering consent, evangelical religion, moral reform, and education. The third part of this volume examines the fruition of these corporatist efforts. The author looks at the Civil War as a problem in large-scale organization, and the pre- and post-war emergence of a national administrative elite and national institutions of business and culture. Hall concludes with an evaluation of the organizational components of nationality and a consideration of the precedent that the past sets for the creation of internationality.

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This book explores the extent and significance of the transformation of the Organisation of American States since 1991: its roots, the reasons for and extent of its emergence, and the role that the organisation currently plays in the promotion of regional governance.

This book presents a comprehensive analysis of the Organization of American States' new role in promoting and defending democracy in the Americas; examines how exactly it performs its role among its member states; points out the tensions, weaknesses and shortcomings that constrain its performance, and suggests ways of strengthening it.

The Europa Directory of International Organizations 2020 serves as an unequalled one-volume guide to the contemporary international system. Within a clear, unique framework the recent activities of all major international organizations are described in detail. Given alongside extensive background information the reader is able to assess the role and evolving functions of these organizations in today's world. The contact details, key personnel and activities of more than 2,000 international and regional entities have again been thoroughly researched and updated for this 20th edition. Highlights in this edition include: - a fully revised Who's Who section with biographical details of the key players in the international system. - the response of the international community to crises and conflicts throughout the world. - introductory essays, written and updated by experts in their field, which consider topics including global environmental governance, the international criminal justice system, international humanitarian co-operation, and governance of the global economy.

This volume provides a timely analysis of global and regional responses to international terrorism. The work assesses the role of the United Nations and its various organs, particularly the General Assembly and the Security Council, and discusses the key

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legal issues. The second part of the book examines the activity of regional organizations both in their own right as well as their interaction with the UN. The volume concludes with a discussion of whether, to what extent and how the fight against terrorism has encroached upon fundamental rules of international law such as the international protection of human rights or the use of force among states. The volume is the latest in a series drawing on the presentations of high ranking scholars, diplomats and representatives of international organizations. The result is a stimulating and thought-provoking book which will be of interest to researchers and policy-makers alike. "The Integrationist is an independent policy advocacy and education organization, launched to contribute to the promotion of the work of regional integration in CARICOM. The journal, produced by the organization and bearing the same name, facilitates access to the works and contributions of the Region s leading intellectuals and opinion makers, both within the Caribbean and in the Diaspora. In this edition entitled Survival and Sovereignty in the Caribbean Community, the contributors extend the dialogue on a range of issues. Contents include: Abortion in Jamaican and International Law Why CARICOM? The CARICOM Development Fund Economic Sense or Political Expediency? The Changing Environment of the OECS International Economic Relations National Planning by Small, Non-Strategic Developing States CARICOM: Non-Intervention and Intervention Jamaica in the International Arena Leader or Follower? Transnational Threats: Drug Trafficking and its impact on International

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Security CARICOM Current Status and Future Prospects Modelling the Economy. "

"This cutting-edge collection examines South America's rich history in the study of global political economy and governance. It engages with current discussions in comparative studies and international political economy, offering new theoretical analysis and critically treated empirical evidence of what defines governance in South America" --

"Multidisciplinary, scholarly work by well-known political scientist and specialist of inter-American relations. Foremost reference in the field. More comprehensive and up-to-date than Sheinin's or Stoetzer's. Lengthy entries describe in historical perspective the major events and facets of the inter-American system (IAS) at all levels: national, regional, sub-regional, institutional (OAS, IDB, NAFTA, etc.), and personal/personnel. Each entry followed by section with leading, relevant sources in English and Spanish. Also includes useful bibliographic essay (p. 533-536) and extensive index (p. 536-561). Chronology and appendices include IAS membership, nine structural charts, and texts of OAS Charter and Rio Treaty"--Handbook of Latin American Studies, v.57.

The prohibition of the use of force in international law is one of the major achievements of international law in the past century. The attempt to outlaw war as a means of national policy and to establish a system of collective security after both World Wars resulted in the creation of the United Nations Charter, which remains a principal point of reference for the law on the use of force to this day. There have, however, been

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humanitarian and pro-democratic action. The possibility of the revival of classical, expansive justifications for the use of force is then addressed. This is matched by a final section considering new security challenges and the emerging law in relation to them. Finally, the key arguments developed in the book are tied together in a substantive conclusion. The Handbook will be essential reading for scholars and students of international law and the use of force, and legal advisers to both government and NGOs.

From the award-winning author of *American Canopy*, a dazzling account of the world's longest road, the Pan-American Highway, and the epic quest to link North and South America, a dramatic story of commerce, technology, politics, and the divergent fates of the Americas in the nineteenth and twentieth centuries. The Pan-American Highway, monument to a century's worth of diplomacy and investment, education and engineering, scandal and sweat, is the longest road in the world, passable everywhere save the mythic Darien Gap that straddles Panama and Colombia. The highway's history, however, has long remained a mystery, a story scattered among government archives, private papers, and fading memories. In contrast to the Panama Canal and its vast literature, the Pan-American Highway—the United States' other great twentieth-century hemispheric infrastructure project—has become an orphan of the past, effectively erased from the story of the “American Century.” *The Longest Line on the Map* uncovers this incredible tale for the first time and weaves it into a tapestry that

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fascinates, informs, and delights. Rutkow's narrative forces the reader to take seriously the question: Why couldn't the Americas have become a single region that "is" and not two near irreconcilable halves that "are"? Whether you're fascinated by the history of the Americas, or you've dreamed of driving around the globe, or you simply love world records and the stories behind them, *The Longest Line on the Map* is a riveting narrative, a lost epic of hemispheric scale.

This book, which can be used as a text for teaching purposes, gives a fascinating, and authoritative treatment both the rights protected by the Inter-American system and of the way in which its institutions work. An important part of the book is a thorough, article by article account of the guarantee in the American Declaration of the Rights and Duties of Man and in the American Convention on Human Rights of civil, political, economic, social and cultural rights in the light of the jurisprudence of the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights and the Inter-American Court of Human Rights, and of the Commission's many country reports on the human rights situation in particular states. There are also chapters on the rights of indigenous peoples, amnesty laws and states of emergencies. The evolution and current methods of work of the Commission and the Court are set out at length and their achievements are critically assessed. The role of non-governmental organisations is also examined in this context. The book will be invaluable to all those interested in the protection of human rights in the Americas and international human rights law generally.

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