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Foreword by the *Editors-in-Chief*

Dear Reader,

It is our honor to introduce you to Volume 65, Issue 2, of the *Harvard International Law Journal*. As always, we are immensely grateful for your readership and subscription, and trust that you will find thought-provoking, novel, and honest scholarship herein.

Professor Kishanthi Parella commences the Issue with an article illuminating the role of international law in global corporate governance. She contends that in today's era of hyperattention to environmental-social-governance problems, corporate stakeholders are well situated to nudge corporations to comply with international law. Professor Eliav Lieblich examines the phenomenon of whataboutism in global legal discourse. Drawing on informal logic and notions of fairness, he argues that whataboutism is not pure fallacy, but rather a valid argumentative scheme worthy of intellectual consideration in the international legal arena.

Adi Gal explores the failure of the human rights movement to secure remedies for victims. The international regime preserves this right-remedy chasm, Gal maintains, by conditioning a remedy on the adjudication of a right, and by rejecting a state's responsibility to remediate in no-fault cases. Moria Paz suggests that international human rights tribunals would be more receptive to refugee and asylum claims if applicants could identify one discrete state duty-holder. When demarcating a single duty-holder is not feasible, as is often the case, migrants are in fact better off seeking remedy in the political arena. The Issue ends with a note by Shayla Birath on how ECOWAS and Africa shape international law. Birath explains that ECOWAS's repeated use of force in the region, coupled with both ensuing state silence and explicit endorsement, gradually but profoundly develops jus ad bellum for the rest of the international legal order.

As our tenures as Editors-in-Chief comes to an end, we want to highlight the accomplishments of the Journal's 65th cohort. In addition to two successful print issues, the Journal has revamped its online publications, releasing over 30 short-form perspectives this academic year alone. This year, the Journal also doubled its digital footprint and social media presence, facilitated greater diversity of authorship, hosted a highly attended symposium on the future of international economic law, and welcomed several guest speakers to Harvard Law School's campus. Our Journal is the product of *thousands* of hours of dedication and innovation by students. We have been so privileged to work with each one of them.

Yours,

Arjun Gananathan & Julia Lee

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