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Messrs. Hynning, Deutsch and Freeman are a hard act to follow. I have asked Al Golbert, Ed Pastucha and Dick Schwartz to help edit *The International Lawyer*, and they have been injudicious enough to agree. UCLA law students have helped prepare materials for this issue, and we hope this will be just the beginning of a long and pleasant relationship between *The International Lawyer* and UCLA Law School.

We have decided on a few new looks for our journal, beginning with the cover. Listing the contents on the cover seemed practical, and practical is how we want to characterize *The International Lawyer*. It is our intention that the articles we publish, the legal developments we analyze and the books we review will say something useful to the lawyer engaged in international practice. We shall not abandon our interest in comparative or public international law, but practical matters will enjoy the largest part of our space.

We have given greater emphasis to the Book Review Section and, under Al Freeman's direction, we expect later issues of *The International Lawyer* to review more of the books you tell us interest you.

Another likely new look is advertising. The costs of publishing a journal of this type have risen dramatically, as they have everywhere else. One way of coping with the additional costs without overburdening the Section is through outside income such as advertising. We are still in the discussion stage, but do not be surprised to find some advertising in the spring or summer issue. What we have in mind, of course, is the tasteful advertising one would expect to find in a professional journal.

With this issue, Professor Ed Gordon of Albany Law School begins "Trends," a survey of significant legal developments in the United States and abroad. "Trends" includes judicial decisions, arbitral awards, legislative and administrative action and treaty and international organizational developments. "Trends" will be a regular feature of *The International Lawyer*. Ed had done such a marvelous job editing the "Practitioner's Notebook" for The International Law Association (American Branch) that we asked him to join us. Ed will continue to edit "Practitioner's Notebook" as well.

Regular readers will be happy to learn that Harry LeRoy Jones has agreed to continue to do his annual survey of Congress for us.

We have made changes because we think you, the reader, wanted them made. If we are wrong, tell us about it. If our articles are dull or insignificant, tell us, and tell us when we are on the right track. If we are reviewing too many or too few or the wrong books, tell us that too.

We want to know what you think about the editorial as well as the substantive issues in *The International Lawyer*, and we will gladly acknowledge correspondence on the pages of our journal.

We intend to publish a good journal, but our success will depend in large part upon you, the reader.

F.S.R.