

INTERNATIONAL LAW – SPRING 2014 ASSIGNMENTS FOR WEEK ONE

The casebook is “CB,” and the document supplement is “DS.” “TWEN” is the course website. To locate sources in the DS, look at the Table of Contents. Please note that this list of assignments is subject to change to further student learning. A full syllabus is available on the TWEN site.

I. INTRODUCTION TO INTERNATIONAL LAW

Class 1 (January 14): Case Study on the Arctic Sunrise – Part I

- CB: 1-20
- “Greenpeace activists face possible piracy charges in Russia,” at <http://www.nytimes.com/2013/09/25/world/europe/greenpeace-activists-face-possible-piracy-charges-in-russia.html> (September 25, 2013)
- “Armed Russian Officers Board Greenpeace Protest Ship,” at <http://world.time.com/2013/09/20/armed-russian-officers-board-greenpeace-protest-ship/> (September 20, 2013)
- TWEN: Please fill in, print out, and bring to class the Student Information Sheet.
- Please make sure to bring the Document Supplement and any other assigned readings to class every day. We will be using the DS on the first day of class.

Class 2 (January 16): Case Study on the Arctic Sunrise – Part II

- TWEN: Press release of the International Tribunal of the Law of the Sea, at http://www.itlos.org/fileadmin/itlos/documents/press_releases_english/PR_201_E.pdf
- Go to the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea website at, www.itlos.org.
 - Find the Arctic Sunrise Case and watch the webcast from Session 2: from minute 9:30 to minute 14:30. This is the Dutch Agent (representative of the Dutch government) presenting the case for the Netherlands in the Law of the Sea Tribunal.
 - **What arguments did the Netherlands make for release of the ship and detainees?**
- “UN Maritime Court Tells Russia to Free Greenpeace Ship,” at <http://www.reuters.com/article/2013/11/22/us-germany-greenpeace-idUSBRE9AL00720131122> (November 22, 2013)
- “Russia Drops Charges Against Most of Greenpeace Arctic 30,” at <http://www.cbc.ca/news/world/russia-drops-charges-against-most-of-greenpeace-arctic-30-1.2476214> (December 25, 2013)
- CB: 21-30 (up to line)
 - **How does Henkin define International Law? What critiques of International Law does he identify? What responses does he provide? Is International Law really law?**
- DS: United Nations Charter, preamble, articles 1 and 2