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INTRODUCTION

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This special issue devoted to Inter-American legal studies will become an annual feature, granting a forum to our graduate students, proving the faith of the University in this work and showing to Latin American lawyers that, in traditional democratic spirit, the true university is a place for comment and even dissent. We hope that all Inter-American scholars will use our pages and place this cordial invitation on record.

In the latter category one of our distinguished guest contributors discusses the currently controversial question of the continental shelf, the territorial sea and the control of both by the littoral state. Another guest contribution arises out of our Law School’s exchange activities with the University of Havana School of Law. In the former category are comments produced by two graduate students in our Inter-American Law Program. In future years it is to be hoped that this special issue will serve as a medium for the diffusion of research conducted not only at our own law school, but in all other law schools, here and abroad.

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