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QUICK LIST OF SELECTED NON-US SOURCE MATERIALS

Foreign Law

General Sources:

- Reynolds, T. and A. Flores, *Foreign Law: Current Sources of Codes and Basic Legislation in Jurisdictions of the World* (1989-) [Ref Coll: Bibliog Reynolds]. The best basic source for foreign law.
- *Introduction to Foreign Legal Research AND to Transnational Legal Research* [Guide available online at the Law Library website].
- Danner, R. and M. Bernal, *Introduction to Foreign Legal Systems* (1994) [Ref Coll: Bibliog Introduc].

Guides for Abbreviation and Acronym Identification:

- Kavass, I. and M. Prince, *World Dictionary of Legal Abbreviations* 1991-) [Ref Coll: DC 5 A13 W927 D55; also behind Desk].
- Noble, S., *Noble's International Guide to the Law Reports* (1998) [Ref Coll: Bibliog Noble; also behind Desk] Concentrates on case reporters.
- Prince, M., *Bieber's Dictionary of Legal Abbreviations* (2001) [Ref Coll: DC 5 A13 P956bdL 1993; also behind Desk]. The standard; has many foreign references, but not all.
- *Index to Foreign Legal Periodicals* (1960-) [Ref Coll: Index to] (For foreign periodical abbreviations. Also available online, but *abbreviations* are only in the paper version.)
- *A Uniform System of Citation (the BlueBook)* (1991-) [Ref Coll: Bibliog Uniform; also chained to Desk (no kidding!)]. Look in the blue pages for individual countries.

Finding Sources of Foreign Primary Law

- Reynolds and Flores, *supra*. Includes sources of major legislation and court reports, as well as any English translations.
- *International Encyclopedia of Laws* (1993-) [Ref Coll: FL6 I611 E, et seq]. Arranged by topic.
- Lexcalibur searches– we collect primary and secondary sources for all non-US jurisdictions!
- *Foreign Primary Law on the Web* [<http://www.law.uh.edu/librarians/tmulligan/foreignlaw.html>].
- *Foreign and International Legal Databases* [http://www.law.nyu.edu/library/foreign_intl/].
- *Research Guides* for various countries at LLRX.com [<http://www.llrx.com>]

Finding Foreign Periodical Sources:

- *Index to Foreign Legal Periodicals, supra*. Also online through Library's homepage. Indexes periodicals from non-common law jurisdictions.
- *Legal Journals Index* (1986-) [Ref Coll: Indexes Legal jo]. Indexes journals devoted to European law.
- *LegalTrac, Index to Legal Periodicals and Books* (1981-) (online through Library's site). Indexes journals published in U.S., U.K., Australia, New Zealand, Canada.

International Law

General sources:

- *Introduction to Transnational Legal Research* [Guide available online at Law Library site].
- Germain, C., *Germain's Transnational Law Research* (1991-) [Ref Coll: Bibliog Germain]. Single volume looseleaf; discussion of international law by topic.
- Rehberg, J. and R. Popa, eds., *Accidental Tourist on the New Frontier* (1998) [Ref Coll: Bibliog Accident]. Articles on foreign and international legal research.
- *Guide to International Legal Research* (1998) [Ref Coll: Bibliog Guide to]. A very detailed and comprehensive guide.

Treaties

General sources:

- *International to Transnational Legal Research* [Guide available online at Law Library site].
- *Researching US, non-US Treaties* [<http://www.llrx.com>].
- Rehberg, J. and R. Popa, eds., *Accidental Tourist on the New Frontier* (1998) [Ref Coll: Bibliog Accident], "Finding Treaties and Other Agreements." Contains the world-famous "treaty-finding grid."

Selected treaty sources and dates of coverage:

- T.I.A.S.: *Treaties and Other International Acts Series* (1950-) [JX8 9 U58.3 S7tr].
- U.S.T.: *United States Treaties and Other International Agreements* (1950-) [JX8 9 U58.3 A].
- S. Treaty Doc.: *Senate Treaty Documents* (1981/82 (97th Congress)-) [JX8 9 U58.3 S4do].
- Stat.: *United States Statutes at Large* (1845-) [Fed Coll Stat].
- Bevans: *Treaties and Other International Agreements of the United States of America* (1776-1949) [JX8 9 U58.3 1968].
- C.T.S.: *Consolidated Treaty Series* [JX8 3 C65 1969].
- C.T.I.A.: *Consolidated Treaties & International Agreements* [JX9 EC C755 T78].
- I.L.M.: *International Legal Materials* (1962-) [JX2 A516i].
- Hein Microfiche Series: *Hein's United States Treaties and Other International Agreements Current Service* [Micro-10 S408].
- U.N.T.S.: *United Nations Treaty Series* (1945-) [JX8 9 U58.3 A].
- L.N.T.S.: *League of Nations Treaty Series* (1920-1945) [Micro-10 S532].
- E.T.S.: *European Treaty Series* (1949-) [JX9 CE.1 E89t].
- Westlaw (USTREATIES) (S. Treaty Doc. No. 10869-present).

Selected treaty finding tools and dates of coverage:

- Kavass, I., *United States Treaty Index* (1776-) [Ref Coll: Indexes US_treat].
- Kavass, I., *A Guide to the United States Treaties in Force* (1982-) [Ref Coll: JX8 9 U58.1 K21g].
- *Treaties in Force* (1955-) [Ref Coll: JX8 9 U58.1 U5t]. (US only)
- *Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General* (1982-) [Ref Coll: Indexes Multilat].
- *Multilateral Treaties: Index and Current Status* (1868-1994) [Ref Coll: JX8 1 B787m 1984].

United Nations Documents

General sources:

- *Introduction to Transnational Legal Research* [Guide available online at Law Library site].
- *UN Documentation Research Guide* [<http://www.un.org/Depts/dhl/resguide/>]. An excellent source for understanding UN documentation and figuring out abbreviations.

Sources of UN documents:

- Types of UN documents: Mimeos or mastheads, official records, sales publications.
- Readex Microfiche Collection [Micro-10 UN].
- Grad Library Documents Center (UN Depository).
- *United Nations Web Site* [<http://www.un.org/>; also linked from Law Library homepage].

Finding tools for UN documents:

- *Access UN* (1951-) [linked via Law Library homepage].
- *UN Readex Microfiche edition checklist* [Ref Coll: JX9 UN U5832].

GATT/WTO Documents

General sources:

WTO/GATT Research [http://www.llrx.com/features/wto2.htm#I_D]. An excellent research guide, with links to relevant web sites. All you need to know!

Sources of GATT/WTO documents:

- *WTO Web Site, Documents Online database* [http://www.wto.org/english/docs_e/docs_e.htm]. Access to over 100,000 official documents. Very current.
- *Basic Instruments and Selected Documents* [JX9 UN.90 C7 B31]. Current through 1995.

European Union Law

General sources:

- *Researching the Law of the European Union* (Guide available online at Law Library site).
- Rehberg, J. and R. Popa, eds., *Accidental Tourist on the New Frontier*, “European Union: Basic Legal Sources” (1998) [Ref Coll: Bibliog Accident].
- *European Union Legal Research Guide* (Harvard)
[http://www.law.harvard.edu/library/ref/ils_ref/eu_guide/eu_legal_research.htm].
- *Nuts and Bolts of European Union Law Research* (Cornell)
[<http://www.lawschool.cornell.edu/library/guides/eu/eusemb.html>].
- *Europa* [<http://europa.eu.int/>; also linked through Law Library homepage].
- Other directory websites:
 - *Jurist Europe* [<http://www.fd.unl.pt/je/index.htm>].
 - *European Union Internet Resources* [<http://www.lib.Berkeley.edu/GSSI/eu.html>].
 - *Europa@Internet* [<http://www.uv.es/cde/euinternet/>].
 - *EuroInternet* [<http://eiop.or.at/euroint/>].

Finding sources of EU legislation:

- Types of EU legislation: Regulations, directives, decisions, recommendations, opinions.
- *Official Journal of the European Union*
 - *L Series (Legislation)* (1973-) [JX9 EC.2 J86L E]. Contains enacted legislation.
 - *C Series (Information and Notices)* (1973-) [JX9 EC.2 J86c E]. Contains proposed legislation, draft legislation, communications, announcements.

Finding EU case law:

- *Reports of Cases before the Court of Justice and the Court of First Instance (European Court Reports)* (1954-) [JX9 EC.6 R425].
- *Common Market Law Reports* (1962-) [JX9 EEC.5 C73].
- *European Union Law Reporter* (1962-) [LLF: Common Mkt].
- *European Court of Justice Homepage* [<http://europa.eu.int/cj/en/act/index.htm>].

Sources of EU law online

- *Europa* [<http://europa.eu.int/>; also linked through Law Library homepage].
- *Eur-Lex* [<http://europa.eu.int/eur-lex/en/index.html>; also linked through Law Library homepage]. Access to full-text EU law, including legislation, case law, treaties, and the OJ.
- *Celex* [available on Westlaw or ask at Ref Desk]. Same general materials as Eur-Lex.
- *Eclas* [<http://europa.eu.int/eclas/>; also linked through Law Library page]. Bibliographic database of mostly periodical articles related to EU law.