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This publication, a much enlarged successor to the third edition of the *United Nations Textbook*, is a collection of basic texts and documents of a multitude of general and regional international institutions. Because of its compact size (it is 5½" x 8" and 2" thick) it provides a valuable handbook to anyone working in this field. Its usefulness stems, however, not only from its compendious nature, but because it also provides cross-references and a variety of helpful notes.

The book appropriately receives the commendation of Judge Jessup who wrote the foreword. In the words of that foreword, there is "no other comparable collection of the fundamental texts which participants in and students of international organizations need to have at their desks for convenient and immediate consultation". There is, however, one point that the present reviewer would wish to take up. Judge Jessup suggests, quite rightly, that this work "may well come to serve the smaller libraries of the world as the standard reference work". But would it not have been even more satisfactory for libraries if a loose leaf version had been provided, and if the publishers had arranged for the regular dissemination of up-to-date amendments and additions to the various constitutional texts? One of the greatest difficulties facing any writer in this field is the inaccessibility of accurate information on the current constitutions of the various organizations and agencies. As time passes this book will obviously provide a less accurate record of the contemporary situation.

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