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LETTER FROM THE EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Dear Readers:

Since publishing its inaugural publication issue in 2011, the *Notre Dame Journal of International & Comparative Law* has consistently featured scholarship that examined a variety of dynamic and exciting topics such as human rights, intellectual property, and terrorism. The *Journal* continues this tradition of showcasing fascinating scholarship in Volume 8.

This issue—our symposium issue—features scholarship by speakers from the *Journal*'s Spring 2017 symposium entitled "From Courts of Sport to Courts of Justice: The Impact of International Sports on Individuals, Society, and the World" which explores the world of sports and its overlap with the law, religion, and science. Our symposium issue begins with an analysis by Professor John Soares on amateur and professional ice hockey in North America and Europe during the Cold War. This analysis is followed by an essay by Professor *Emeritus* Ed Edmonds discussing sports and the Common Good. This issue also features the *Journal*'s first alumni article written by Leigha Crout. In her article, Crout explores the gross violations of international human rights at the Rio Summer Olympics. Our symposium issue ends with a student note examining gender verification examinations of Olympic athletes.

On behalf of the *Journal*, I would like to express our deepest gratitude to the Nanovic Institute of European Studies, the Helen Kellogg Institute for International Studies, and the Center for Civil and Human Rights for their generosity; without them our symposium would not have been possible. I would like to personally thank our faculty advisor, Professor Mary Ellen O'Connell, and the Editorial Staff of Volume 7 for selecting my note for publication. I would also like to thank my Executive Board and Editorial Staff for their dedication to the *Journal*. Finally, I want to thank our readers for supporting us as we enter our eighth year of publication.

Yours in Notre Dame,



Annie Bach Yen Nguyen
Editor-in-Chief