

action is necessary for, security reasons is vested in each contracting party. This reviewer finds it difficult to concur with the author's rather bold suggestion that before an international tribunal accepts the plea of national security the country making the plea should be required to make at least a prima facie case that considerations of national security are involved. National security is best left to the judgment of each country. As judges Anzilotti and Huber pointed out in their dissenting opinions in the Wimbeldon case "the right of a State to adopt the course which it considers best suited to the exigencies of its security and the maintenance of its integrity is so essential a right that in case of doubt, treaty stipulations cannot be interpreted as limiting it, even though these stipulations do not conflict with such interpretations".

One would wish the author had dealt with in detail the economic position of the under-developed countries vis-a-vis the developed countries who are members of the GATT. One drawback of the GATT is that it has not sufficiently taken into account the different stages in the economic development of the member countries. This has seriously impaired the enthusiasm of the under-developed countries and driven them to adopt restrictive and discriminatory policies on a regional and national level. It is hoped that in the next edition the author will give due consideration to this aspect. Another problem which the author has not dealt with in detail even though he has hinted the necessity for such a study is the effect of the GATT principles and decisions on municipal legislation.

Finally, since the theory and practice of the GATT form the substantial portion of the book, it may need constant revision incorporating the day-to-day development of the GATT.

The book gives a comprehensive survey and systematic analysis of the theory and practice of the GATT. It may be mentioned that few have ventured to correlate international law with international economics. When international economic law is a developing branch of international law Dr. Seyid Muhammad deserves congratulations for making this valuable contribution.

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