INTRODUCTION TO PUBLIC INTERNATIONAL LAW
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COURSE OUTLINE, READINGS AND MATERIALS

I) Sources of International Law (Monday, 15 June)

1. Overview of Sources in International Law
   i. Article 38 ICJ Statute
   ii. Customary International Law
   iii. Treaty Law
   iv. General Principles of Law

2. Treaty Law
   i. Reservations to Treaties
   ii. Validity of Treaties
   iii. Termination of Treaties

Reading:
Andrew Clapham, Brierly’s Law of Nations, 7th ed., OUP, pp. 302-391. Please note that you are not required to read § 9 (Interpretation) and § 10 (Third party rights and obligations).

Materials:
- UN Charter
- Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties

II) Peaceful Settlement of International Disputes (Tuesday, 16 June)

This class will be taught by Dr. Gaggioli

1. Diplomatic and Legal Procedures to Solve International Disputes
2. International Courts and Quasi-Judicial Bodies
   i. Arbitration: Ad Hoc Mechanism
   ii. The International Court of Justice: General Jurisdiction
   iii. Human Rights Bodies: Implementation of Human Rights Treaties
   iv. International Criminal Tribunals: Individual Criminal Responsibility

Reading:
Andrew Clapham, Brierly’s Law of Nations, 7th ed., OUP, pp. 392-449. Please note that you are not required to read § 7 (Dispute Settlement at the WTO).

Materials:
- UN Charter

III) International Responsibility (Wednesday, 17 June)

1. Concept and Main Components of Responsibility:
i. Internationally Wrongful Act
ii. Attribution

2. Circumstances Precluding Wrongfulness

3. Effects of International Responsibility
   i. Reparations
   ii. Counter-Measures

Reading:

Materials:
- ILC Draft Articles on State Responsibility

IV) The Maintenance of International Peace (Thursday, 18 June)

1. The Constitutional Scheme of the United Nations Charter
2. The Prohibition of the Use of Force by States
3. Chapter VII of the UN Charter
4. Exceptions to the Prohibition of the Use of Force
   a. The Necessary Exception: Article 51 on Self-Defence
   b. Other Exceptions?

Reading:

Materials:
- UN Charter
- General Assembly Resolution 3314
- General Assembly Resolution 2625

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