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Subject:

As international finance and trade have exploded in size and impact, a complex legal regime has tried to control it. This class will consider the particulars of how that control operates, and how it responds to the economic crises, political disputes, and prosperity campaigns that have come with globalization. The class will pay particular attention to the World Trade Organization and the various international institutions designed to regulate global banking and securities law, and will delve in particular into the legal and governmental responses surrounding the latest financial crisis.

Required Books:

We’ll read Jackson, Davies, Sykes, International Economic Relations, 5th edition (2008), along with its document supplement, and Hal Scott, International Finance, 15th edition (2008). From time to time, I may also assign handouts, but you should not expect too many of them. JDS/HS n-n below refers to the page numbers of the appropriate casebook. I’ve also pointed you to particular provisions in the document supplement for a number of the classes (that is DS). Questions in the casebook can assist you in focusing on issues; answers do not need to be formally prepared unless a question has been specifically assigned for class discussion.

Course Format:

The course combines lecture, Socratic dialogue, and group discussion. Active class participation is expected. Excellent class participation, as determined by the professor, may result in up to five additional points added to your final score. (Consequently, your final grade may improve by as much as a full letter grade.)

Grading:

• Midterm exam – 40%
• Final exam – 60%
Schedule:

We have 24 topics to cover, and I intend to cover one topic per class, which will give us some time for review and digressions. You should accordingly read the next assignment for the next class, even if we haven’t exhausted all discussion of the current one.

1. Introduction: the 2008-09 Financial Crisis as a Crisis of Regulation

TRADE THEORY AND INSTITUTIONS

2. Basic Trade Theory and Basic International Law
   JDS 15-19, 29-55, 171-202

3. GATT & WTO Dispute Resolution
   JDS 255-85
   DS: GATT Art. XXII-XXIII (p. 47-48), skim the Dispute Settlement Understanding (p. 371-395)

4. More Dispute Resolution
   JDS 285-306, 367-72

TRADE BARRIERS

5. Tariffs
   JDS 373-83, 390-97
   DS: GATT Art. II, III:8(b); (p. 18-20, 21)

6. Non-Tariff Barriers
   JDS 423-31, 433-35, 443-44
   DS: GATT XI (p. 28-29)

NON-DISCRIMINATION IN TRADE

7. Most Favored Nation
   JDS 467-71, 475-89
   DS: GATT Art. I (p. 17-18)

8. Regionalism
   JDS 497-516
   DS: GATT Art. XXIV (p. 48-50)

9. National Treatment
   JDS 537-565
   DS: GATT Art. III (p. 20-21)
10. **More National Treatment**  
    JDS 565-585

**MIDTERM EXAM**

**TRADE EXCEPTIONS**

11. **Health and Security Exceptions**  
    JDS 591-614, 1079-85  
    DS: GATT Art. XX & XXI (p. 45-46)

12. **Trade and Environment Exceptions**  
    JDS 614-36

13. **SPS Agreement**  
    JDS 653-669  
    DS: skim the SPS Agreement (p. 121-133)

**TRADE DUMPING AND SUBSIDIES**

14. **Dumping & Subsidies**  
    JDS 752-63, 848-906  
    DS: GATT Art. VI (p. 23-25), Antidumping Agreement: 2.1, 2.2 (skip 2.2.1, 2.2.2), 3.1, 9.2, 9.3 (first sentence only), 17.6

**INTERNATIONAL NETWORKS**

15. **Coordinating Financial Regulation**  
    Handout on IOSCO, The Financial Stability Forum, the G20, and Basel Committee on Banking Supervision

16. **Other International Economic Governance**  

**INTERNATIONAL FINANCE**

17. **International Aspects of US Capital Markets**  
    HS 23-32

18. **International Aspects of US Banking Markets**  
    HS 149-193
19. **Extraterritoriality**

20. **Capital Adequacy**
    HS 331-383

21. **Stock Market Competition**
    HS 617-655

22. **Controlling Terrorism Financing**
    1004-1061

23. **Financial Rescues**
    Readings tk

24. **Financial Rescues II**
    Readings tk

**FINAL EXAM**