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**JOURNAL EXAMINES WAR IN THE “VIRTUAL ERA” AND UN AID  
WORKERS’ ROLE IN PROMOTING HUMAN RIGHTS; INCLUDES REVIEW  
OF BOOK BY STATE DEPT LEGAL ADVISER**

WASHINGTON, DC—The American Society of International Law (ASIL) announces that the third issue of the 103<sup>rd</sup> volume of its flagship publication, the *American Journal of International Law*, is now available.

This latest issue of the *Journal* features two lead articles. The first is “**Law and War in the Virtual Era**” by ASIL member **Jack Beard** (UCLA School of Law). This piece explores how “unmanned aerial vehicles and other remotely controlled or ‘virtual’ military technologies are refashioning the conduct of military operations, the functioning of military institutions, and even the objectives of war itself.”

The second lead article is “**The Pillar of Glass: Human Rights in the Development Operations of the United Nations**” by ASIL members **Mac Darrow** (Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights) and **Louise Arbour** (former UN High Commissioner for Human Rights). Their piece considers the roles and responsibilities of UN development workers with regard to human rights issues.

Additionally, this *Journal* includes the following:

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- Eight book reviews (edited by AJIL member **Richard Bilder**), including one by ASIL member **Anupam Chander** (University of California-Davis, School of Law) on the book *Transnational Litigation in United States Courts*, authored by ASIL member **Harold Koh** (now Legal Adviser to the U.S. State Department);
- A Note on “The Private Life of Environmental Treaties” by ASIL member **Natasha Affolder** (University of British Columbia Faculty of Law);
- A section on the latest developments in contemporary U.S. practice relating to international law, edited by ASIL member **John Crook**;
- A Current Development piece by ASIL Vice President **D. Stephen Mathias** (U.S. State Department) entitled “The 2008 Judicial Activity of the International Court of Justice”;
- A memorial tribute by ASIL member Dame **Rosalyn Higgins** (past International Court of Justice [ICJ] President) of ASIL leader **Thomas M. Franck** (New York University Law School); and
- Five case reports on decisions from the ICJ, the World Trade Organization, the European Court of Justice, and others.

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