

FOREWORD

The present issue of the Australian International Law Journal appears under sad circumstances.

Associate Professor Alexis Goh, the editor-in-chief since 1993, died on 16 June 2005 of a debilitating and cruel illness. With great courage, she prepared much of the present issue, but the task of completion has fallen to her colleagues, Steven Freeland and Ricky J. Lee, assisted by others. We are all in their debt.

Under Alexis Goh's leadership, the Journal has grown in stature. Very few other national branches of the International Law Association publish a journal. While there are many ways in which the Association worldwide seeks to live up to its motto *multis melior pax una triumphis* through promoting the rule of law in international affairs, an outreach in the form of a journal represents an enduring form of engagement with the community of scholars and practitioners of international law. It is an achievement of which the Australian Branch is proud.

In the present issue, we count another part of Alexis Goh's legacy in the shape of the article written by her together with Steven Freeland on provisional measures in the International Court of Justice. We are pleased also to publish other articles of quality, together with case notes on recent decisions of great importance, and book reviews. The issue is indeed a fitting memorial to Alexis's vision, industry and humanity.

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