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June 30, 1983.

→ Dr. Henry E. Cunningham  
President  
The International Club of Washington  
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Dear Dr. Cunningham:

Thank you very much for your kind and generous letter.

I really enjoyed the evening at the Club -- and it would be very nice indeed to come back some time during the next season and continue the discussion!

The letter opener is a nice memento. I'll remember that evening every time I open a letter.

All the very best, and thanks again.

Yours very cordially,

Elisabeth Mann Borgese  
Professor



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June 23, 1983

Dr. Elizabeth Mann Borghese  
Professor of Political Science  
Dalhousie University  
Halifax, Nova Scotia

Dear Professor Borghese:

The International Club is deeply indebted to you for the time and energy you generously contributed to our recent debate on the Law of the Sea. You could judge yourself the value of the occasion from the rapt attention of our audience for such a lengthy period.

Your own presentation was all the more persuasive for being so obviously heartfelt. I hope you find sufficient reward in knowing that you not only advanced our understanding of the problems connected with the Treaty but our appreciation of the importance of finding a way out of the present impasse.

The International Club letter opener is just a small token of our gratitude. We hope you can come back to address us soon again.

Sincerely,

*Henry Cunningham*

Henry E. Cunningham  
President

Enclosure



# INTERNATIONAL DEBATE

At the International Club - Wadsworth Room  
Thursday, June 9. Reception at 6 p.m.

## LAW OF THE SEA TREATY: IS THE U. S. OUT OF STEP?

### Panelists

#### For the Treaty

The Honorable Elliot L. Richardson  
His Excellency Layachi Yaker,  
Ambassador of Algeria

#### Against the Treaty

Deputy Assistant Secretary of State  
Theodore G. Kronmiller  
His Excellency Peter Hermes, Ambassador  
of the Federal Republic of Germany

Introductory remarks by Elizabeth Mann Borghese  
Professor of Political Science and  
Chairman, Planning Council,  
National Ocean Institute

Moderator: Club member Gale W. McGee,  
former U.S. Senator and Ambassador

After more than a decade of negotiation under United Nations auspices, some 130 nations have approved, and will soon be taking steps to implement, the Law of the Sea Treaty - a major international undertaking to regulate ocean navigation, deep sea-bed mining and more than a dozen other complex issues arising from the world's increasing use of the high seas. Although it approves of much of the Treaty, the United States has refused to sign it, essentially because of objections to Treaty arrangements for deep sea-bed mining under an international authority. Three other nations (Israel, Turkey and Venezuela) have also refused to sign; 17 nations, including a number from Western Europe, have so far abstained, but have continued to attend preparatory meetings for the Treaty's implementation.



What are the implications of the present impasse? Should free enterprise or a form of global management govern the development of the ocean's vast untapped mineral resources? Who has the right to these resources? Are our navigation rights protected without adherence to the Treaty? Should the U.S. now pursue unilaterally its national interests on the high seas, working out any conflicting mining claims directly with other mining states? Or should we seek to reconcile our differences with the Treaty signatories? How will our refusal to sign affect our relations with the developing nations of the Third World, for whom the exploitation of the ocean's mineral resources under an international authority has been represented as a major benefit of the Treaty?

The Club feels a public debate at this time will help clarify for many of us just what are the U.S. interests affected by this major international confrontation and explain why the U. S. Government is now unwilling to sign the Treaty despite the lengthy negotiations in which the U.S. took a leading part. Ambassador Richardson was the principal negotiator during the most critical phase of the negotiations. Deputy Assistant Secretary Kronmiller is a leading expert and spokesman on Treaty issues within the present Administration. Ambassadors Yaker and Hermes bring both experience and a special perspective to Treaty problems.

The debate promises to be a major event on the Club's calendar.

Our guests will start gathering at 6 p.m. The debate will begin promptly at 6:30 p.m. with the formal presentations by the panelists. At 7:30 we will adjourn for dinner and then over coffee and dessert, at about 8:30, we will resume the debate by inviting questions from the floor addressed to the panelists.

The cost: \$25.00 per person. For reservations: 862-1452. Cancellations must be made by noon on Wednesday, June 8, or the member's account will be charged.

PARTICIPANTS, IN ORDER OF APPEARANCE,  
LAW OF THE SEA (LOS) DEBATE,  
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ELIZABETH MANN BORGHESE, who will make the keynote address, is Chairman of the Planning Council of the International Ocean Institute, and Professor of Political Science at Dalhousie University, Halifax, Nova Scotia. She has had a long-time interest in oceans and ocean policy, and has been a representative of non-governmental organizations at the Law of the Sea negotiations.

THEODORE G. KRONMILLER, Deputy U. S. Secretary of State for Oceans and Fisheries Affairs; U. S. negotiator on fisheries and other LOS matters with personal rank of Ambassador; a chief architect of present U. S. policy which has led Reagan's Administration to declare its unwillingness to sign LOS convention; former legal adviser on LOS matters to National Ocean Industries Association (NOIA), to House of Representatives subcommittees and to Department of Commerce; studied international law at University of Virginia Law School and at Cambridge University in England; author of book "Lawfulness of Deep Sea Mining."

ELLIOT L. RICHARDSON, former U. S. Ambassador to Court of St. James; holder at different times of four U. S. Cabinet posts; former Undersecretary of State; President Carter's personal representative to LOS Conference during most critical phase of negotiations; now in private law practice but still active in Law of the Sea matters.

PETER HERMES, Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Germany; former Secretary of State for Economic Affairs in the Federal Republic of Germany Foreign Ministry; former leader of Federal Republic of Germany delegation to the Law of the Sea Conference.

LAYACHI YAKER, Ambassador of the Democratic and Popular Republic of Algeria; former Algerian Ambassador to the Soviet Union; President of the International Ocean Institute; member of the Brandt Committee on North-South issues; former Algerian Minister of Commerce; former Vice President of the Algerian National Assembly; member of the Central Committee of the Algerian National Liberation Front; long-time senior Algerian authority on Law of the Sea matters.



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