

While President of the Court, Jiménez de Aréchaga was awarded the American Society's Manley O. Hudson Medal.

Jiménez de Aréchaga chose to serve a single term on the Court. His years and those of his wife in The Hague were deeply scarred by an automobile accident that afflicted one of their daughters. They returned to Uruguay to bring up their grandchildren. Yet concurrently Jiménez de Aréchaga managed to maintain a career as advocate and arbitrator of extraordinary vitality. He served as arbitrator, usually as chairman, in a large number of international arbitrations, both interstate and commercial (among them, that between Canada and France over St. Pierre and Miquelon); as a founding member and for ten years as President of the Administrative Tribunal of the World Bank; and twice as judge *ad hoc* of the International Court of Justice. He was recurrently engaged by a variety of governments as counsel before the Court.

Jiménez de Aréchaga was refreshingly free of ideological constraints. He was an early and consistent proponent of effective international arbitration and adjudication (as his comments of 1953 on Georges Scelle's "magnificent draft"² on arbitral procedure illustrate); his contributions in later years to international adjudication and arbitration were more than academic. His friendships among, and influence in, the international legal community were far-reaching. He did not live to see a *festschrift* to be published in celebration of his seventy-fifth year, which reflects the extent of those friendships and that influence. His untimely death is a loss not only to all those fortunate enough to know him, but to the international community.

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TO THE EDITORS IN CHIEF:

We have noted with great interest the discussion in the *American Journal of International Law* concerning the usefulness of *Fontes Iuris Gentium* (87 AJIL 341, 589 (1993), 88 AJIL 311 (1994)). We would first like to inform those concerned that what was formerly *Fontes Iuris Gentium* now appears as *World Court Digest*. The first volume, covering the period 1986 to 1990, appeared in 1993; the second volume will be out soon. The main advantage, as we see it, is that the *World Court Digest* is available at DM 80.00 or U.S. \$59.00.

We were interested by the comments of Professor Frankowska about the availability of the full text of the ICJ materials on WESTLAW. However, it seems doubtful that her conclusion is correct. The combination of words alone, we believe after several tests, cannot replace systematic analysis of ICJ judgments. Be that as it may, we hope to make the *World Court Digest* available as a comparatively cheap, but useful, tool for international lawyers.

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² [1953] 2 Y.B. Int'l L. Comm'n 239, UN Doc. A/CN.4/SER.A/1953/Add.1.

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