Editorial

Nordic Journal of International Law at 90

2020 marked the 90th anniversary of the establishment of the *Nordic Journal of International Law* – or *Nordisk tidsskrift for international ret. Acta Scandinavica juris gentium* as the journal was originally named – and this year, in 2021, we are publishing Volume 90 of the journal.¹ Anyone who has ever seen the comedy sketch “Dinner for One”² will know that 90 is a very special birthday which should not go by unnoticed. Our original idea was to celebrate “*NJIL* at 90” with a conference dedicated to discussing “Contemporary Questions of International Law from the Nordic Perspective”. But then Covid-19 hit, and the “Dinner for One” reference suddenly became a lot more appropriate than we had expected. While we wait for better times to organise a conference in honour of our journal, we will instead mark its 90th anniversary by resuming a tradition that is a key element of its *raison d’être*, namely to publish regular reports on Nordic state practice. We have, however, changed the format compared to the reports that were published in the journal approximately every year until 2008. In the coming years, our aim is to publish regular special issues on specific questions of international law rather than state-by-state updates on miscellaneous topics.³ The present issue includes three articles dedicated to Nordic

1 For a brief overview of the history of the journal, see G. Noll, ‘Editorial: The 75th Issue of the Nordic Journal of International Law’ 75 *NJIL* (2006) pp. 1–2.

2 “Dinner for One” (in Danish: “90 års fødselsdagen”) is a comedy sketch written by British author Lauri Wylie and performed by British comedians Freddie Frinton and May Warden. The sketch was recorded for television in Germany in 1962 and is broadcast every year on Danish, Finnish, and Swedish television on New Year’s Eve (in Norway it is shown on 23 December).

3 Notably, like the earlier “reports of Nordic state practice”, the contributions published in these special issues are not subjected to anonymous peer review, as is the case with “articles” or pieces published in the “current issues” section.

state practice on the question of state immunity. In addition to accounting for recent domestic case law in Denmark, Finland and Norway, the contributions provide information about the Nordics states' different approaches when it comes to ratification of the Convention on the Jurisdictional Immunities of States and their Property.

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