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Adoption

Mwalimu & Clarke, *Adoption* (Rep. No. 2004-00317, January 2004).

An overview of adoption law and procedures in Ghana and Jamaica, including the tension between statutory and customary law in Ghana, and the statutory requirements for adoption in Jamaica.

Agriculture

DeGlopper et al., *Duration of Plant Breeders' Rights* (Rep. No. 2003-15025, August 2003).

Summarizes the legislation, regulations, and policies implemented by the signatories to the 1961 International Convention for the Protection of New Varieties of Plants. Jurisdictions covered: AU, CZ, DE, DK, FI, IL, JP, KR, NL, RO, SE, SL, UK.

Banks & Finance

Glos et al., *Bearer Bonds* (Rep. No. 2003-14679, May 2003).

Discusses the applicable statutory provisions regarding the issuance and accumulation of bearer bonds, and the extent to which these provisions are part of an overall securities regulation scheme, the civil code, or other provisions. Includes a bibliography the foreign law on bonds. Jurisdictions covered: BE, BM, DE, FR, IT, NL, UK.

Rodriguez-Ferrand et al., *Banking Policies* (Rep. No. 2000-8722, April 2002).

Explores banking privacy, money laundering, tax laws, information sharing, and cooperation, including: restrictions on bank employees divulging private information; legislation intended to conform to norms on international offshore finance; taxation on offshore companies; international agreements regarding enforcement; and surveillance of illicit financial operations. Includes a chart summarizing information for all jurisdictions. Jurisdictions covered: AG, CH, CO, LI, LX, Nauru.

Biotechnology

Papademetriou et al., *Regulation of Genetically Modified Organisms* (Rep. No. 2003-14490, April 2003).

Evaluates laws, regulations, and policies regarding the research, production, marketing, licensing, and import or export of genetically modified organisms (GMOs) or raw materials, including animal and plant organisms, foodstuffs, and seeds. Jurisdictions covered: EU, JP, CN, RU.

DeGlopper et al., *Cloning* (Rep. No. 2002-14394, April 2003).

Describes the laws and regulations regarding reproductive and therapeutic cloning; explicit bans; regulation of stem cell research to the extent that it supports therapeutic cloning, and in its own right; regulation of other, related assisted reproduction technologies; patentability of human genetic elements; standards for the donation, procurement, testing, processing, storage and distribution of human tissues and cells; policy considerations related to prohibiting reproductive cloning while encouraging stem cell research; and international conventions and agreements, including the 1997 Council of Europe Convention for the Protection of Human Rights and Dignity of the Human Being with Regard to the Application of Biology and Medicine. Jurisdictions covered: AU, CN, DE, EU, FR, IT, IL, NO, UK.

Sfeir, *Biotechnology Regulation* (Rep. No. 2003-14502, March 2003).

Summarizes early agriculture-related biotechnology research and conferences, including multinational cooperation and the role of public sector institutes. Jurisdictions covered: EG, MA.

Rodriguez-Ferrand et al., *Human Cloning and Stem Cell Research* (Rep. No. 2002-13535, August 2002).

Discusses legislation regarding human cloning, or in the absence of such legislation, related legislation on

tissue, cell or organ manipulation, or manipulation for purposes of race selection or combining species. Also notes restrictions on tissue or cells resulting from abortions. The report includes a chart that compares jurisdictions. Jurisdictions covered: AR, AU, CA, EU, MX, RU.

Clarke et al., *Human and Therapeutic Cloning: Recent Legal Developments* (Rep. No. 2002-12296, June 2002).

Describes recent development regarding regulation of human cloning and stem cell research, including procedures for limited use of stem cells, specific prohibitions, and ethical considerations. Jurisdictions covered: CA, EU, FR, IT, JP, RU, UK.

DeGlopper et al., *Regulation of Human Cloning* (Rep. No. 2002-11911, February 2002).

Surveys restrictions on stem cell research, embryo research for therapeutic purposes, human (reproductive) cloning, and patentability of cells or stem cell lines. Also discusses the extent to which national laws and regulations comply or diverge from applicable European Union directives and policies. Jurisdictions covered: AU, DE, IT, NL.

Glos, et al., *Genetic Engineering and Medical Ethics: Various Legal Issues* (Rep. No. 2001-11490, September 2001).

Examines legislation prohibiting, restricting, or addressing human cloning, including guidelines for the use of embryos. Includes a chart on Middle Eastern and Sub-Saharan African countries with cloning bans, and a bibliography. Jurisdictions covered: BE, CA, CZ, EU, FR, DE, IT, JP, MX, NL, RU.

Rodriguez-Ferrand et al., *Engineering and Medical Ethics: Various Legal Issues* (Rep. No. 2001-11401, September 2001).

Evaluates the legal positions of the named jurisdictions on a variety of issues related to genetic engineering and ethics, including: organ donation; sales and procurement; data privacy; cloning; genetically modified foods; research; and eugenics. Jurisdictions covered: AR, BR, CA, CN, DE, EU, FR, IT, MX, NL, RU.

Glos et al., *Human Cloning Legislation—The Cloning of Humans* (Rep. No. 2001-10638, March 2001).

Examines statutory provisions that ban human cloning. Also discusses criminal sanctions and international conventions on cloning. Jurisdictions covered: CZ, GR, IT, JP, LI, LU, NG, NL, RU, SU, SMA.

Zeldin et al., *Genetic Research* (Rep. No. 2000-9917, November 2001).

Discusses regulations and policies regarding using and collecting human genetic information, including genetic fingerprinting, genetic testing in an employment context, data protection, and intellectual property rights. Jurisdictions covered: CN, DE, FR.

Broadcasting

Shroff et al., *Regulation of Violence and Sex on Television* (Rep. Nos. 2004-00505 and 2004-00444; February 2004).

Discusses the methods used to control the amount and frequency of violence and sex on television in the included countries, including administrative remedies, legislation, and self-imposed regulation. Codes and rating systems are defined where used in specific jurisdictions. Jurisdictions covered: AU, BE, CA, DE, EU, FR, NL, UK, Comparative summary, IT (not updated), BR, CN, NZ. *Note:* Report No. 2004-00505 revises Report No. 2004-00444, adding analysis of the applicable laws in the People's Republic of China and addressing technical corrections.

Glos et al., *Regulation of Violence and Sex on Television* (Rep. No. 2001-10672, March 2001).

Examines statutory and regulatory approaches towards sex and violence on television, including: directed self-regulation; ratings; restrictions on viewing hours; broadcasting standards; enforcement; pre-broadcast state approval of programming; advertising and bans on advertising; content restrictions; and pornography. Jurisdictions covered: BE, CA, DE, EU, FR, IT, NL, UK.

Capital Punishment

Sfeir et al., *Laws that Include Punishment of Death by Stoning* (Rep. No. 2002-13796, October 2002). Analyzes countries that permit the punishment of death by stoning, noting the historical and textual foundations as found in traditional Islamic law, and identifying where such a sentence had been handed down in the 5 years prior to 2002. Jurisdictions covered: ID, IR, MY, NG, SD, AF, PK, Arab States.

Campaign Finance

Rodriguez-Ferrand et al., *Campaign Financing National Campaigns* (Rep. No. 2002-14013, November 2003).

Analyzes campaign finance in countries with both parliamentary and presidential systems, specifically: government regulation of private funding; government funding; financial disclosure requirements; law enforcement; regulation of campaign financing and constitutional principles; and major legal violations. Jurisdictions covered: AR, AU, CA, CZ, FR, GR, IN, IR, IL, IT, JP, MX, SG, NL, RU, TW, TR, UK.

Campaign Financing National Campaigns—Comparative Chart (Rep. No. 2003-15027, August 2003). A chart of the four main areas discussed in Report No. 2002-14013, by jurisdiction: government regulation (sources of contribution, contribution limits, limitations on campaign expenditures, issue advocacy); government funding (direct funding to candidates & parties, indirect funding, campaign broadcasting); financial disclosure (money threshold, filing requirements, degree of public access, identification of contributors); law enforcement (authorized enforcement official or body, penalties); implementation (regulation of campaign financing and constitutional principles, major incidents of violation of law). Jurisdictions covered: AR, AU, CA, CZ, FR, GR, IN, IR, IL, IT, JP, MX, SG, NL, RU, TW, TR, UK.

Campaign Finance (Rep. No. 2000-9042. See Rep. No. 2003-15027, August 2003).

Civil Defense

Mwalimu et al., *Continuity Planning for the Highest Court After a Major Disaster* (Rep. No. 2002-13636, September 2002).

Evaluates continuity planning for a jurisdiction's highest court in the event of a major crisis or disaster, including the extent to which statutes or constitutions allow for substitution of an entire court, and procedures for ad hoc appointments. The report notes that many jurisdictions have no continuity plans. Jurisdictions covered: Africa, AU, AR, CA, CH, CN, DE, EE, EG, EU, FR, IL, IN, IT, JP, MX, NL, PL, RU, TW, UK.

Clarke et al., *Emergency Planning Laws and Policy* (Rep. No. 2001-11695, December 2001).

Discusses laws and policies related to national emergencies, including: procedures related specifically to terrorism, or biological, nuclear or chemical attack; coordination between states, territories, or provinces, and delineation of responsibilities; natural disaster plans and countermeasures; roles and responsibilities of designated agencies and authorities; and disseminating information to the public. Jurisdictions covered: CA, DE, FR, IL, JP, UK.

Computer Law

Nehra, *India and Pakistan: Privacy Laws to Protect Confidentiality of Personal Information* (Rep. No. 2004-00586, March 2004).

An overview of privacy laws in India and Pakistan; including, India's provisions regarding the unauthorized use of private information; India's attempts to enact legislation on data protection; and Pakistan's laws on data privacy especially via electronic transactions. The report also references a Pakistani law regarding electronic crimes.

DeGlopper et al., *Computer Security and Protection of Computer Information* (Rep. No. 2002-11987, July 2002; Rep. No. 2002-13441, April 2002).

Analyses provisions related to computer security and data security, including: cybercrime; electronic transactions; privacy; Internet content regulation; computer security and counter-terrorism; data protection; child pornography; racism and xenophobia; intercepting communications; retaining online traffic data; and international cooperation between jurisdictions to improve computer security and fight computer crime. Jurisdictions covered: AU, CZ, ES, EU, FR, IL, IN, IT, JP, KR, NL, RU.

Clarke et al., *Cybercrime* (Rep. No. 2002-11986, March 2002).

Analyzes provisions related to computer crime and prevention, including types of offenses and penalties; cyberterrorism; illegally acquiring and using data; computer sabotage; industrial espionage; copyright protection of computer databases; electronic signatures; Internet auctions; spam; responsibilities and liabilities of Internet providers; Internet content control; and methods for protecting infrastructure from cyber attacks. Jurisdictions covered: CA, DE, EU, FR, IL, IT, JP, NL, RU.

Palmer & Papademetriou, *Privacy of Personal Data Law* (Rep. No. 2001-10858, May 2001).

Analyzes infringement of European Union's Data Directive by U.S. companies engaged in processing and exporting personal data, including: rights of the data subject, obligations of legal entities handling personal data, transfer to third countries, liability, and judicial remedies. Also examines protection, enforcement, and liabilities under German law. Jurisdictions covered: DE, EU.

Copyright

Shroff et al., *Various Aspects of Copyright Law* (Rep. No. 2004-00414, March 2004).

A study of copyright regulation, with an emphasis on the economic rights preserved by statute. The report covers laws spanning from 1912 to 1998, and discusses the applicable 1998 EU directive (and subsequent revisions) regarding copyright protection. Duration and calculation of copyright periods, as well as the extent to which jurisdictions recognize the concept of "fair use," are also discussed. The report includes a chart that compares these areas by jurisdiction, as well other general rules. Jurisdictions covered: AU, BR, CA, EU, FR, JP, MX, NL, ES, ZA, RU.

Rodriguez-Ferrand et al., *Copyright* (Rep. No. 2004-00190, December 2003).

Analyzes the duration of copyright protection, including whether there is a standardized rule. Also includes a study of copyright protection periods that vary based on issues such as the type of work, when it was originally produced, and previous applicable copyright legislation. Jurisdictions covered: DE, EU, UK, BR.

Corporations

Zeldin et al., *Headquarters and Senior Management* (Rep. No. 2003-14522, April 2003).

Defines "headquarters" and "senior management," where applicable, for purposes of corporate or business entities law, including the applicable taxation laws. Notes or defines ancillary concepts,

including the definition of “company,” distinctions between foreign and domestic entities, and instances where there is no such thing as “senior management.” Jurisdictions covered: CN, DE, FR, ID, IN, IT, JP, NL, SG, TH, UK.

Rodriguez-Ferrand et al., *Corporate Standards* (Rep. No. 2002-12134, April 2002).

Summarizes the legal and regulatory provisions related to corporate governance, including: accounting standards and financial reporting for auditors; corporate disclosure requirements; liability for corporate directors and officers, including inside trading; destruction of corporate or auditing records; pensions; and proposals to improve or regulate corporate governance. Jurisdictions covered: AR, DE, FR, IL, IT, JP, MX, RU.

Criminal Law & Procedure

Rodriguez-Ferrand et al., *Exclusionary Rule in Certain Foreign Jurisdictions* (Rep. No. 2003-15112, October 2003).

Analyses whether countries involved in drafting the Vienna Convention on Consular Relations, had a remedy to exclude illegally or improperly obtained evidence during the period of 1959-1963. Considers whether breach of the provision to provide consular notification should result in the exclusion of any statement given to the police, and the granting of a new trial. Jurisdictions covered: BR, CZ, FR, UK, NL, RU.

DeGlopper et al., *Protection of the Public Against Sexual Offenders* (Rep. No. 2003-14223, March 2003).

Reviews use of sex offender registers or databases, including: national and state registers or databases; federal support for state legislation and implementation of registers and databases; state laws requiring offender registration; public notification requirements regarding the release of sex offenders or their relocation; public access to registers or databases; post-release detention of offenders; and genetic fingerprinting and DNA tests. Jurisdictions covered: AU, CA, DE, EU, FR, GR, IT, JP, NL, RU, IE, UK, Scotland.

Cultural Property

Papademetriou et al., *Protection of Cultural Property* (Rep. No. 2002-13431, July 2002).

Evaluates statutory provisions and policies intended to protect national treasures and regulate the export of objects with cultural, artistic, historical, or archaeological interest. Jurisdictions covered: EU, FR, MX, NL, IT.

Disability

Rodriguez-Ferrand et al., *Laws Protecting Rights of People With Disabilities* (Rep. No. 2002-13479, October 31, 2002).

Describes and analyzes legislation and policy aimed at protecting people with disabilities, including: scope, coverage and objectives of legislation; constitutional underpinnings; public policy implementation; enforcement and remedies; and affirmative defenses. Jurisdictions covered: AR, AU, CA, CN, CZ, DE, EG, EU, FR, IN, IR, IL, IT, JP, MX, NL, PK, PL, RU, TW, UK, ZW, Sub-Saharan Africa.

Discrimination

Palmer et al., *Responses to Manifestations of Antisemitism* (Rep. No. 2004-00427, February 2004).

Discusses responses to antisemitism, including applicable constitutional provisions and criminal sanctions in Germany; legislative, governmental and educational measures in France; and European Union initiatives and mechanisms.

Divorce

Zeldin et al., *Post-Divorce Spousal Maintenance* (Rep. No. 2004-00022, November 2003).

Examines spousal maintenance after divorce, including: general principles underlying awards of financial support in Germany; contrasts between fault and no-fault divorce in Austria; circumstances under which maintenance is re-evaluated, including re-marriage, in Sweden; and a survivor's entitlement to a pension in Italy.

Vafai et al., *Islamic Law: Divorce* (Rep. No. 2003-14953, July 2003).

Summarizes the Islamic form of divorce, including: whether a revocable divorce automatically becomes an irrevocable divorce if neither party tries to stop it; whether a revocable divorce lapses if no action is taken; the three utterances required for divorce and whether the statements have to be made at same time and place; and the certificate of divorce and whether such certificate must mention financial settlement or dowry. Jurisdictions covered: IN, PK, BN, SL.

Education

Clarke et al., *Higher Education of Children of Illegal Immigrants* (Rep. No. 2004-00070, October 2003).

Discusses access to higher education for illegal aliens, including the extent to which immigration status affects education-related fees. Notes those countries where all minor children are entitled to education, regardless of immigration status, and contrasts when access is limited upon attaining a certain age or reaching a certain educational level, where applicable. Jurisdictions covered: CA, DE, FR, MX, UK.

Elections

DeGlopper et al., *Compulsory Voting* (Rep. No. 2003-14737, May 2003).

Examines statutory and constitutional provisions requiring citizens to register to vote and to vote. Includes voter requirements, allowable exceptions, penalties, and enforcement bodies. Jurisdictions covered: AU, BE, CH, CY, LU, UY, EG, SG.

Employment Law

DeGlopper et al., *Application of Labor Laws to Parliament* (Rep. No. 2002-12141, May 2002).

Discusses the employment-related rights and privileges of parliamentary staff, including the extent to which national legislative bodies exempt themselves from national employment laws. Jurisdictions covered: AU, CA, DE, FR, GR, IT, KR, MX, NL, UK.

DeGlopper et al., *Civil Servants' Administrative Protection* (Rep. No. 2002-11836, January 2002).

Discusses the constitutional and statutory provisions that protect civil servants and delineate their rights as employees, including: definitions and duties; disciplinary proceedings; and recourse against supervisory action. Jurisdictions covered: AU, DE, FR, NL, EU.

Environmental Law

Clarke et al., *Protection of Migratory Birds—Statutes Implementing the Bilateral Treaty For the Protection of Migratory Birds* (Rep. Nos. 2002-13347 and 2002-13474, June 2003).

Examines conventions between the United States and named jurisdictions regarding the protection of migratory birds, including implementing regulation and related statutes, and the extent to which they apply to or attempt to regulate military activities. Jurisdictions covered: CA, JP, MX, RU.

Extradition

Vafia et al., *Non-Extradition Provision in the Criminal Codes or Constitution* (Rep. No. 2002-13623, September 2002).

Examines provisions that govern extradition of nationals in criminal matters. Jurisdictions covered: DZ, BJ, BF, BI, CM, TD, CG, CD, DJ, GA, GW, CI, ML, NE, TG.

Papademetriou et al., *Laws Allowing Extradition of Nationals* (Rep. No. 2001-11380, August 2001).

Examines laws and constitutional provisions that allow or disallow the extradition of nationals to other countries, including the extent to which international treaties—including extradition treaties—or conventions have a bearing upon those provisions. Includes information on the adjudication rights of nationals in foreign systems. Jurisdictions covered: CY, CZ, EE, ES, LV, LT.

Palmer et al., *Extradition* (Rep. No. 2001-10666, March 2001).

Examines laws and constitutional provisions that allow or disallow the extradition of nationals to other countries, including the extent to which international treaties—including extradition treaties—or conventions have a bearing upon those provisions. Includes information on the adjudication rights of nationals in foreign systems. Jurisdictions covered: DE, GR, IT, JP, PL.

Firearm Regulation

Zeldin et al., *Airline Pilots Carrying Firearms* (Rep. No. 2002-13408, July 2002).

Analyzes statutory provisions and policies that address airline pilots carrying firearms. Also discusses European Union policies and extent to which international agreements have an impact on this issue. Jurisdictions covered: CN, ES, EU, IR, JP, PL, RU, UK.

Fisheries

Shroff et al., *Administrative Law System Relating to Fisheries* (Rep. No. 2001-11072, July 2001).

Summarizes the administrative framework for regulating fisheries, where applicable, including policymaking, adjudication, relevant agencies, judicial review of administrative actions, implementing legislation, and constitutional authorization. Jurisdictions covered: AU, FR, NL, PG, IL, JP.

Freedom of Religion

Umeda et al., *State Sponsored Religion* (Rep. No. 2002-14064, December 2002).

Analyzes legislation on religion and the status of religious organizations under national laws, and the impact of church-state relations on domestic legislation. Jurisdictions covered: JP, IR, IL.

Freedom of Speech

Glos et al., *Hate Speech Laws in Europe* (Rep. No. 2003-14681, May 2003).

Analyzes laws and constitutional provisions that prohibit speech designed to exploit or incite violence based on racial, ethnic, or religious grounds. Includes applicable sanctions or penalties. Jurisdictions covered: BE, DE, ES, FR, IT, NL, UK.

HIV/AIDS

Mwalimu, *The Legal Response to HIV/AIDS and Other STDs in Sub-Saharan Africa* (January 2003).

Examines the response to HIV, AIDS, and other STDs in Sub-Saharan Africa, including: epidemiological data; impact of these diseases on the continent; features of the diseases that are unique to Africa;

government, NGO, and pharmaceutical company responses; laws, regulations, and policies, by jurisdiction (including those related to transmission and education); funding efforts; the U.S. response (including legislation and policies); and the international and United Nations Response. Jurisdictions covered: Sub-Saharan Africa.

Internet Regulation

DeGlopper et al., *Internet Content Regulation* (Rep. No. 2002-11875, January 2002).

Analyzes laws, regulations, and policies regarding Internet content and Internet use, including: the use of general laws that restrict speech to regulate Internet content; laws that specifically restrict Internet content for security purposes; policies that promote filtering and rating schemes; industry self-regulation; use of existing criminal provisions or laws related to freedom of the press in the absence of Internet-specific legislation; liability of Internet Service Providers (ISPs), and limitations on ISPs regarding data privacy, use, storage and retention; child pornography; racism and xenophobia; State registration and tracking of Internet users; responsibility for content conforming with all applicable laws; and state and national security issues. Jurisdictions covered: AU, BE, CA, DE, ES, EU, FR, GR, IL, IN, IT, JP, KR, LU, MX, NL, RU, UK.

Islamic Law

Clarke et al., *Islamic Law in a Changing World: Traditions and Transitions* (Rep. No. 2004-00489, March 2004).

Describes the basic tenets of Islamic law, including a history of Islam, background on the Koran, the concept of Sharia'a, early leaders, the Fiqh, religious specialists, and religious rule. Includes biographies of the specialist-authors. Jurisdictions covered: CA, IN.

Public Health and Safety

Shroff et al., *Right To Health Care* (Rep. No. 2004-00778, May 2004).

Examines the right to health care in national constitutions and international human rights instruments. Coverage includes instruments, conventions, and declarations that recognize health care as a fundamental human right, and any obligations arising out of the ratification of conventions implementing this right. Jurisdictions covered: AU, CA, EU, FR, DE, JP, NL, NZ, RU, ZA.

Feikert et al., *Use of Antibiotics in Food Animals* (Rep. No. 2004-00170, December 2003).

Summarizes the use of antibiotics in animal feed, the relevant statutes, and the extent to which they comply with or are influenced by EU directives and policy. Includes copies of statutory provisions and additives, per jurisdiction. Jurisdictions covered: DE, FR, UK.

Rodriguez-Ferrand et al., *Public Health Crisis: The Legal Framework* (Rep. No. 2003-14752, August 2003).

Analyzes the legislation and regulation related to public health crises, including: government agencies; cabinets or ministries responsible for managing crises; recent crises and responses to them (e.g., SARS, Mad Cow Disease, or biochemical attacks); procedures in the event of an emergency; cooperation between national, state or provincial governments in the event of a crisis; and the extent to which infectious and communicable diseases, generally, are covered by applicable legislation and regulation. Countries and organizations covered: AR, AU, BR, BF, CA, CN, CU, CZ, EG, EE, EU, DE, FR, HK, HG, IN, ID, IR, IL, IT, JP, JO, KE, MY, MT, MX, FS, NL, NZ, NG, PK, PH, PL, RU, SN, SG, ZA, KR, ES, CH, TW, TH, TR, UK, VN, WHO.

DeGlopper et al., *Traceback and Other Food Safety Laws in the European Union* (Rep. No. 2002-14329,

March 2003).

Analyzes provisions that create, modify or regulate traceback or tagging systems used in cattle, livestock or poultry as part of national food safety systems. Includes coverage of how national laws comply with European Union mandates, where applicable, tracing genetically manufactured organisms, establishing methods to detect pathogens, and investigation procedures. Jurisdictions covered: AU, CA, CL, EU, FR, JP, UK.

Zeldin & Feikert, *Legal Status of Salvia Divinorum* (Rep. No. 2002-13599, September 2002).

Examines the extent to which the hallucinogen salvia divinorum is considered legal, illegal, or is otherwise regulated. Jurisdictions covered: UK, AU, NZ, IE, DE, FR, IL, CH.

DeGlopper et al., *Public Health Emergency Legislation* (Rep. Nos. 2002-11675 and 2001-11675, December 2001).

Examines provisions related to public health emergencies, including those bodies or agencies authorized to act in such emergencies, and responses to infectious and communicable disease, animal epidemic prevention, and food poisoning. Also discusses quarantine powers and procedures, prevention, and disease control. Jurisdictions covered: AU, BR, CA, CN, CZ, EG, EU, FR, IL, IN, IT, JP, KE, MX, NL, RU, TR, UK.

Clarke et al., *Food Health and Safety* (Rep. No. 2001-10425, February 2001).

Discusses the relevant statutes and regulations regarding food labeling, especially labeling intended to identify foods or attest to their safety for the purposes of importation or exportation to other jurisdictions. Jurisdictions covered: CA, CN, EU, MX.

Immigration & Aliens

DeGlopper et al., *Alien Registration* (Rep. No. 2004-00340, January 2004).

Surveys provisions related to foreign nationals visiting countries on temporary or tourist visas, or for specific time periods or under specific conditions, and the extent to which government provisions require they register with the government and the information that must be provided. Specific age, documentation, residency conditions, and fees are also discussed. Jurisdictions covered: SG, JP, FR, AU, CN.

DeGlopper et al., *Student Visas* (Rep. No. 2003-15135, September 2003).

Laws governing grants of student visas, including: who is considered a student; visa requirements; when visitors on student visas can apply for permanent resident status; and other general conditions and requirements. Jurisdictions covered: AU, ES, IE, IL.

Rodriguez-Ferrand & Atwill, *Summary of Immigration Law* (Rep. No. 2003-14682, May 2003).

Summarizes applicable immigration provisions and requirements, including: entry documents; border controls; residency; denial of entry; asylum and refugee status; restrictions on immigrants; and immigrant identification methods. Jurisdictions covered: ES, FR.

Atwill et al., *Immigration Registration Procedures Applicable to Foreign Nationals* (Rep. No. 2002-12599, June 2002).

Describes those provisions and procedures that require foreign nationals to register with the government, including types of visits, fingerprinting requirements, and records. Jurisdictions covered: FR, GR, EU, UK.

Import-Export

Atwill et al., *Restrictions On Import Of Defense-Related Materials And Services* (Rep. No. 2004-00811, May 2004).

Examines the regulation of importing ammunitions, weapons and other defense-related materiel, including which governmental entities oversee enforcement of applicable laws; the extent to which foreign companies must partner with domestic companies to import materials; specific prohibitions on nuclear, biological or chemical weapons; and policies regarding the weapons trade and access to markets for both domestic and foreign interests. Jurisdictions covered: FR, DE, IT, UK.

Umeda et al., *Laws and Regulations Covering Transactions with Iraq* (Rep. No. 2003-14464, March 2003).

Lists the regulations, provisions, and orders, where available, that control transactions with Iraq. Jurisdictions covered: JP, TR, UK.

Labor Law

Atwill & Palmer, *France and Germany: Various Aspects of Labor Law* (Rep. No. 2004-00575, March 2004).

Discusses hiring restrictions on foreign nationals, including: distinctions between EU and non-EU persons, where applicable; protections against dismissal; and termination procedures and grounds. Jurisdictions covered: FR, DE.

Rodriguez-Ferrand & Ferreira, *Violations of Domestic Labor Law Standards* (Rep. Nos. 2002-14144 and 2003-14144, January 2003).

Analyzes legal protections against employer interference with labor unions and labor activities, child labor provisions, freedom of association, collective bargaining, and working conditions. Jurisdictions covered: PE, BO.

Rodriguez-Ferrand et al., *International Labor Organization—Core Labor Standards* (Rep. No. 2001-11653, November 2001).

Examines the constitutional or statutory provisions that adopt the core labor standards of the International Labor Organization, including: the right to collective bargaining; freedom from discrimination in employment; freedom from child labor; and freedom from compulsory employment. Jurisdictions covered: BO, BZ, CA, CL, CO, CR, DO, EC, EG, HO, HT, JM, JO, MX, MY, NI, PA, PE, SG, SV, UY, VE.

Rodriguez-Ferrand, *Tripartite (Labor/business/government) Organizations* (Rep. No. 2001-11248, August 2001).

Describes integrated organizations authorized under labor laws and the areas in which they operate, including collective bargaining, environmental issues in the workplace, and safety in the workplace. Jurisdictions covered: AR, BR, CL.

Legislative Power

Clarke et al., *Parliamentary Succession* (Rep. No. 2004-00482, February 2004).

Addresses the rules and particulars of parliamentary activity, including statutory and constitutional provisions addressing the following: member incapacitation, including how incapacity is defined, declared and rescinded; provisions for reducing quorums in an emergency and procedures for validating actions taken by reduced quorums; special elections for replacing members before the end of their terms; timelines for special election held as the result of a member's incapacitation; ascertaining the death of a member; procedures and authority for assuming duties of a parliamentary leader and any limitations on the person who assumes such a role; conditions under which Parliament can be dissolved, including

during a crisis; how national declarations during an emergency affect parliamentary activity; and whether there's a designated group for taking charge of Parliament during emergencies and the limits on their authority. Jurisdictions covered: CA, DE, FR, JP, RU, UK, AT, BE, BG, CZ, ES, EU, GR, LU, NL, PL, PT.

Clarke et al., *Parliamentary Succession and Emergency Settings* (Rep. No. 2004-00018, October 2003). Addresses the rules and particulars of parliamentary activity, including methods and policies for filling vacancies prior to end of a term due to death, injury, or unforeseen circumstance; circumstances where parliaments sit in secondary locations; and circumstances where a secondary authority assumes parliamentary powers or leadership in times of emergency. Jurisdictions covered: CA, DE, ES, IL, IT, JP, NL, RU, UK.

Rodriguez-Ferrand et al., *Recent Legal Developments* (Rep. No. 2003-14900, June 2003). Recaps recent legal developments in the stated jurisdictions, including, as applicable: SARS, legislation in international criminal offenses; electronic signature; forced repatriation of refugees; opting out of the European Union's common legal system; renewing international agreements; legislation to prevent the spread of disease amongst animals; and the needs of children. Jurisdictions covered: ES, NL, Wales, UK, DK.

DeGlopper et al., *Delegated Legislation* (Rep. No. 2003-14709, May 2003). Appraises various provisions and notable instances where legislation has not been implemented either in practice or officially. Includes discussion of the role of Royal Assent, where applicable. Jurisdictions covered: AU, CA, UK.

DeGlopper et al., *Filling Vacancies in the National Legislature* (Rep. No. 2002-13697, October 2002). Analyzes constitutional and statutory provisions and procedures for replacing legislative representatives in cases of national emergency, death, and resignation. Includes an overview of general electoral procedures and the structure of the legislature. Jurisdictions covered: AU, CA, IN, IT, MX, NL, DE.

Palmer et al., *Role of the Speaker* (Rep. No. 2001-10479, February 2001). Describes the duties and responsibilities of the Speaker or highest leadership position of the relevant legislative or parliamentary body. Jurisdictions covered: DE, FR, JP, RU.

Litigation

DeGlopper et al., *Costs of Civil Litigation* (Rep. No. 2002- 13580, August 2002). Examines systems where the loser pays litigation costs in civil litigation, and analyzes whether this prevents frivolous lawsuits. Jurisdictions covered: AU, CA, UK.

Local Government

DeGlopper et al., *Territorial Expansion of Metropolitan Areas* (Rep. No. 2002-13612, October 2002). Examines legal issues relating to the territorial expansion of metropolitan areas, including: annexation; the respective roles of federal and state legislation and authority in the expansion process; local government jurisdiction over neighboring communities; and related land-use regulation. Jurisdictions covered: AU, CA, DE, FR, IT, UK, US.

Maritime Law

Roudik, *Russian Federation: Implementation of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea* (Rep. No. 2004-00010, November 2003).

Analyzes the Russian Federation's implementation of the United Nations Convention of the Law of the Sea, a convention originally signed by the USSR. Asserting that the USSR never intended to ratify the convention, the report analyzes the Federation's concerns about how ratification would affect its sovereign rights, delimitation of Russian waters, regulation of navigation under the convention and Russian law, state and non-state ownership of water objects, rights and jurisdiction over the continental shelf, management and preservation of marine rights, and legislative developments addressing the relationship between international rules and domestic laws.

Military Affairs

Umeda, *United States-Japan Status of Forces Agreement* (Rep. No. 2004-00164, January 2004). Examines criminal jurisdiction over U.S. military personnel who commit offenses in Japan as provided for under the post-World War II Status of Forces Agreement (SOFA) between the U.S. and Japan. Discusses determinations of whether a specific act is committed "in the performance of official duty," and the implications that determination has for which country asserts primary jurisdiction over such acts. Also discusses the requirement that the U.S. Commanding Officer examine any non-U.S. law under which a member of the U.S. military is charged to ensure that the law's safeguards are consistent with the requirements of the U.S. Constitution. Examines outstanding issues regarding the SOFA, including which country retains pre-trial custody of accused U.S. military personnel, the use of U.S. interpreters during interrogations, and the role of confessions in the Japanese criminal system. Jurisdictions covered: JP, US.

Glos et al., *Military Retirement and Pensions* (Rep. No. 2003-15142, September 2003). Noting the statutory provisions that provide for military retirement and pensions, analyzes the years of service required for military retirement and the formula used to calculate military retirement pay. Jurisdictions covered: BE, DE, FR, IL, UK.

Papademetriou & Sarnecka-Crouch, *Reserve Forces in the Military* (Rep. No. 2003-14333, March 2003). Discusses the procedures and provisions related to creating and maintaining military reserve forces, including the conditions under which conscripts automatically become reservists, terms of service, and employment protections and health care services for reservists. Jurisdictions covered: PL, GR.

Glos et al., *Reserve Components of Military Systems of NATO Member Nations* (Rep. No. 2002-13799, October 2002). Analyses reserve components of military systems of all NATO member nations, especially legislation establishing reserves and providing employment protection and benefits. Includes information recruitment and retention of reserve forces, and the role of reserve forces in relation to voluntary or compulsory forces, if applicable. Jurisdictions covered: BE, CA, CZ, DE, ES, FR, IT, LX, NL, PT, UK.

Nationality and Citizenship

Sfeir et al., *Law on Citizenship* (Rep. No. 2003-14226, February 2003). Explores dual citizenship and the effect that procuring citizenship in a second country has on original citizenship. Notes the relevant constitutional and statutory provisions. Also notes any peculiarities with terminology and the use of the terms "citizen," "citizenship," "national," and "nationality." Jurisdictions covered: BD, ID, MA, KW, JO, EG.

Vafai & Levush, *Citizenship* (Rep. No. 2002-14075, December 2002). Analyses how citizenship is relinquished or renounced. Jurisdictions covered: SO, ER, AF.

Sfeir & Levush, *Citizenship And Residence Status Of a Certain Palestinian* (Rep. No. 2002-14023, December 2002).

Examines citizenship law of Israel and Jordan regarding removal options of a Palestinian person born in East Jerusalem in 1953, who left in 1977 on an Israeli *laissez-passer* (identity and travel document) to come to the United States where he lived for over 20 years as a lawful permanent resident before facing deportation. Jurisdictions covered: JO, IL.

Sfeir et al., *Effect on Citizenship When Acquiring Foreign Nationality* (Rep. No. 2002-13638, October 2002).

Analyses how citizenship is acquired and relinquished, and the effects of gaining citizenship or nationality status in other jurisdictions. Jurisdictions covered: IQ, LY, SA, SD, SY, YE, IR, PK.

Clarke et al., *Dual Nationality Law* (Rep. No. 2002-12440, June 2002).

Discusses the constitutional and statutory provisions that allow or address dual citizenship for citizens of the specified jurisdictions. Includes citizenship requirements. Jurisdictions covered: CA, HN, MX, SV, IT.

National Security

Homeland Security Compilation (Rep. No. 2004-00405, February 2004).

Comprised of a variety of previous reports on the following issues: Islamic divorce (2003-14953); adoption in China (2003-15180); adoption, guardianship and child custody under Muslim law (2003-15101); divorce in Pakistan (2003-14738); nationality of a person born in Rafah (2004-4); Jordanian/Palestinian citizenship (2004-00128); Egyptian divorce by proxy (2004-118); divorce laws in Uganda (2004-146); adoption in Zambia (2004-288); marriage and divorce laws in Kenya (2004-307); adoption in Nigeria (2004-316); Islamic law in Nigeria (2004-321); nationality law in the Ivory Coast (2003-15042); citizenship in the Ivory Coast (2003-15021); criminal code of the Ukraine (2003-14899); exit procedures and illegal exit – China (2003-14539); citizenship law in Ethiopia and Eritrea (2003-14727); and divorce laws in Uganda (2004-146).

Glos et al., *Secrecy Laws* (Rep. No. 2003-14655, May 2003).

Lists the citations for secrecy laws and notes the substantial provisions of laws related to protecting state secrets. Includes information on the procedures for classifying and declassifying information, access to classified information, usage of classified information, and government oversight agencies. Jurisdictions covered: CZ, HU, RU.

Clarke et al., *Legality of Military Preemptive Strikes* (Rep. No. 2002-13872, October 2002).

Analyzes jurisdictional and international provisions regarding preemptive military strikes, including the extent to which provisions are broadly drafted or specifically speak to defending a jurisdiction. Jurisdictions covered: CA, FR, GR, IT, UK.

Atwill et al., *Legal Structure of the National Security Agencies* (Rep. No. 2002-13430, August 2002).

Discusses the legal structure of national security agencies, including: statutory provisions creating and authorizing agencies; national police power, its scope and implementation; and intelligence gathering function. Jurisdictions covered: FR, DE, UK, ZA.

Parentage

Nehra et al., *Parentage, Filiation, and Paternity Laws* (Rep. No. 2004-00416, April 2004).

Evaluates parentage and paternity provisions, especially laws defining legitimacy. Discussions include distinctions between children born in and out of wedlock, the use of acknowledgement and court orders where that distinction is no longer in effect, and any other requirements for legitimacy. Effective dates and retroactive application of laws is also included. Jurisdictions covered: BZ, CR, GY, IN, NG, NC, PH,

VC, All States of Mexico, State of Lagos in Nigeria.

Petrochemicals

Rodriguez-Ferrand et al., *Offshore Oil and Gas Programs* (Rep. No. 2003-14489, March 2003). Examines regulations for foreign development of offshore oil and gas reserves, including: sovereign ownership of national resources; mining rights, leases and licenses; restrictions on foreign capital; statutory definitions of offshore areas; technical, financial, and legal requirements on foreign companies; and use of environmental impact statements. Jurisdictions covered: AO, AU, BR, CN, ID, IN, MX, NO, NL, NZ, RU, UK.

Pharmaceuticals

Shroff et al., *Compulsory Licensing Of Patented Medicines* (Rep. No. 2004-00847, May 2004). Analyzes the circumstances under which generic drug manufacturers can secure licenses to work with patented inventions, including: the requirements for granting licenses and the terms of those licenses (including those conditions relating to duties and responsibilities of the original patent holder); the circumstances under which courts may compel patent grantees to grant licenses; the extent to which compulsory licensing provisions conform to or conflict with the Agreement on Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights (TRIPS); and EU policies related to compulsory licensing. Jurisdictions covered: AU, CA, EU, JP, NZ, CH.

Clarke & Papademetriou, *Limiting Drugs for Export in Canada and the European Union* (Rep. No. 2004-00716, April 2004).

Examines the legality of contractual provisions imposed by manufacturers that prohibit the export of drugs to other countries from the country those drugs are originally supplied to. Includes background on drug re-importation or parallel trade in light of European Union policies and directives, as well as a discussion of Internet pharmacies affected by such provisions.

Freitas et al., *Export Controls over State-subsidized Pharmaceuticals* (Rep. No. 2004-00507, February 2004).

Examines the regulatory and policy structures surrounding subsidized and non-subsidized pharmaceuticals, including: the extent to which the lack of state subsidized programs leads to a lack of export controls or alternative regulatory structures; instances where controls regulate Internet pharmacies and the involvement of drug manufacturers in that process; pricing controls; parallel trade within the EU community; and implications for EU members who restrict pharmaceutical exports. Jurisdictions covered: BR, CA, NZ, CN, IL, IN, NI, PL, RU, UK.

Clarke et al., *Prescription Drugs: the Legal Framework* (Rep. No. 2003-15074, October 2003).

Examines how prescription drugs are controlled and managed, including: health care systems and drug coverage; prescription drug regulations covering approval, marketing and advertising; and price controls. Also describes proposed legislative initiatives. Jurisdictions covered: CA, CN, EU, DE, FR, IN, IL, IT, JP, MX, NL, RU, ES, UK.

Police

Roudik, *National Law Enforcement System* (Rep. No. 2003-14503, October 2003).

Analyzes the law enforcement and judiciary systems as set out in constitutional and statutory provisions, including: police power and police duties; organizational structure of police departments; training of police officers; prerequisites for joining a police force; internal controls and sanctions, judicial authority; and court systems. Also notes ongoing issues such as corruption and police brutality, and membership in

Interpol, where applicable. Jurisdictions covered: KG, KT, LT, TJ, TM, UZ, AM, MD.

Postal Services

Clarke & Shroff, *The Legal Aspects of Postal Services* (Rep. No. 2002-11903, February 2002). Examines the legal framework of how postal services are provided (including privatization proposals), which entities regulate postal services (including the extent to which postal services operate independently of the government), and other regulatory reform. Jurisdictions covered: CA, UK.

Public Debt

DeGlopper et al., *Sovereign Debt* (Rep. No. 2002-13892, October 28, 2002). Discusses how countries incur sovereign debt, including the government agency or entity authorized to incur state debt, attributes that distinguish that debt, constitutional or statutory provisions that impose restrictions or create oversight over that debt, and the categories and characteristics of the securities and instruments used. Jurisdictions covered: AU, CA, FR, JP, UK.

Refugees

Mwalimu, *Refugees: The Legal Framework* (Rep. No. 2003-14986, July 2003). Analyzes the status and control of refugees, including: definition of a refugee; treaties; detention; crimes committed by refugees; harboring and employing refugees; jurisdictional entry and departure points; deportation; settlements; and relevant citizenship or nationality laws. Jurisdictions covered: Sub-Saharan Africa, TZ, KE, UG.

Restitution of Property

Roudik, *Restitution of Property Confiscated by Communist Government* (Rep. No. 2003-14676, May 2003). Specifies policies, provisions and procedures related to returning property seized by Communist governments, and compensation for such property, including: whether there is a specific restitution-related law; eligibility for restitution; dates of government performing seizures and conditions under which seizures were committed; use of vouchers in the restitution process; restitution of religious lands; role of the judiciary in implementing restitution laws; and the use of petition in the absence of specific restitution laws. Jurisdictions covered: AM, AZ, GE, KZ, TM, UZ; BY, BG, HR, MD, RO, YU, UA.

Sanctions (International Law)

Palmer et al., *Criminal And Civil Sanctions For Abuses Of The United Nations Oil-For-Food Program In Iraq* (Rep. No. 2004-00727, April 2004). Explores bribery, fraud, and other transnational criminal activities in connection with the Oil-for-Food program (created by U.N. Security Council Resolution 986), an exception to United Nations sanctions imposed on Iraq in U.N. Resolution 661. Also examines the extent to which activities that violate the U.N. resolutions are punishable under the respective national laws of those countries bound by the resolutions. Includes a brief overview of GAO findings regarding how officials circumvented restrictions related to the Oil-for-Food program. Jurisdictions covered: CH, EG, LB, JO, FR, RU, UA, BY.

Taxation

Clarke, *Taxation of Savings* (Rep. No. 2003-14557, May 2003). Reviews the extent to which savings are taxed, including related laws and regulations covering the

following: types of retirement savings accounts; compulsory or mandatory funds; whether retirement savings accounts are tax favored; type of tax preference; contribution limits; and rates of taxation for interest or withdrawals. Jurisdictions covered: CA, CL, DE, FR, IT, JP, MX, NL, HK, SE, UK.

Atwill et al., *Taxation of Former Residents and Estate Taxation* (Rep. No. 2002-13371, July 2002). Updates the information from the Joint Committee's report of 2000 on "Other Countries' Taxation of Expatriation, Residency Termination, Immigration, and Estates, Inheritance and Gifts." Jurisdictions covered: FR, GR, NL.

Palmer et al., *Corporate Residency for Tax Purposes* (Rep. No. 2002-13369, July 2002). Evaluates requirements on corporations related to taxation, including: residency of companies and non-corporate intermediaries; limited partnerships; dual residence companies; trusts; and corporate management and control. The report contains a comparative summary of all the noted jurisdictions. Jurisdictions covered: AU, BR, CA, FR, MX, NL, DE, UK.

Atwill et al., *Taxation of Mutual Funds* (Rep. No. 2001-10618, March 2001). Describes the forms of mutual funds and the applicable taxes applied to them, including the treatment of non-resident taxpayers, capital gains, and dividends. The report includes a bibliography. Jurisdictions covered: FR, IT, JP.

Terrorism

Glos et al., *Suits Against Americans for Acts of Terrorism* (Rep. No. 2003-14887, July 2003). An overview of legislation and policy related to foreign nationals bringing civil lawsuits against the United States or American citizens for acts of terrorism, war crimes, or other violence. Includes discussions of immunity from suit, and the extent to which American citizens are subject to foreign laws when present on foreign soil. Jurisdictions covered: BE, CU, IR, KP; LY, SD, SY.

Salvo et al., *European Legal Cooperation Against Terrorism; Anti-terrorism Legislation and Enforcement* (Rep. No. 2002-13635, September 2002). Analyses post-September 11, 2001 legal responses to terrorism in European jurisdictions, including: immigration, asylum, and tracking of aliens; surveillance, intelligence and cooperation; anti-terrorism laws and measures; terrorist financing and measures. Includes a comparative chart for each jurisdiction detailing pre-September 11 and post-September 11 legal frameworks in each of these 4 areas. Jurisdictions covered: Europe.

Palmer et al., *Terrorism Talking Points* (Rep. No. 2002-13573, September 2002). Provides short summaries, by jurisdiction, of a variety of subjects, including: immigration; wiretapping; identity cards; financial reporting, terrorist funding and asset recovery; prohibited organizations; legislation; international conventions and organizations; criminal provisions; use of Internet; and asylum. Jurisdictions covered: AT, BE, BG, Baltic States, CH, CZ, FR, HR, IE, LU, MT, UK, PT, RU, SK.

DeGlopper et al., *Preventive Detention* (Rep. No. 2002-13512, September 2002). Examines the statutory and judicial provisions governing preventive detention of persons suspected of contemplating illegal activity, including terrorist suspects. Where applicable, also discusses pretrial detention and deportation of detainees. Jurisdictions covered: AU, BR, DE, ES, FR, IN, IT, MX, UK, ZA.

Roudik et al., *European Legal Cooperation Against Terrorism* (Rep. No. 2002-13356, August 2002). Analyses cooperative efforts to fight terrorism, including: pre-September 11, 2001 legislation; computer protection and the Internet; countries that have experienced terrorism and their policy, legislative, and investigative responses; post-September 11, 2001 legislation; and limits to counter-terrorism activity and

cooperation. Jurisdictions covered: AT, BE, BG, CH, CY, CZ, DE, EE, ES, EU, FR, GR, IE, IM, IT, LT, LU, LV, MT, NL, PL, PT, SK, UK.

Sfeir et al., *Suits Against Terrorist States* (Rep. No. 2002-11904, April 2002).

Discusses foreign laws that allow suits against the United States for terrorist acts, and the extent to which the United States might be liable for damages under those laws. Jurisdictions covered: CU, KR, IQ, SD, LY, SY.

Vafai et al., *Terrorism: Foreign Legal Framework* (Rep. Nos. 2001-11621, 2002-12004, 2002-12119, and 2002-12244; November 2001).

Evaluates legal provisions related to terrorism, terrorists, or terrorist activity, including, where applicable, policies, statutes and international conventions on the following: Organization and Coordination of Anti-Terrorist Bodies; airport security; bio-terrorism; computer security; financial disclosure and money laundering; national identity cards; criminal jurisdiction; deportation; extradition; restrictions on religious activity; jurisdiction; penalties. Jurisdictions covered: AF, AU, CN, CZ, EU, FR, HK, IN, IR, IT, JP, LR, NL, PK, RU, TR, UK, ZA, IL, KR.

Vafai et al., *Terrorism: Foreign Legal Responses* (Rep. No. 2001-11538, September 2001).

Evaluates legal provisions related to terrorism, terrorists, or terrorist activity, including, where applicable, policies, statutes and international conventions on the following: Organization and Coordination of Anti-Terrorist Bodies; airport security; bio-terrorism; computer security; financial disclosure and money laundering; national identity cards; criminal jurisdiction; deportation; extradition; restrictions on religious activity; jurisdiction; penalties. Jurisdictions covered: AF, AR, ARAB STATES, AU, BIB, CA, CN, CZ, DE, EU, GR, HK, IL, IN, IR, IT, JP, KR, LR, MX, NL, PK, PL, RU, TR, UK.

Tobacco Regulation

Rodriguez-Ferrand et al., *National Tobacco Control Laws and Regulations* (Rep. No. 2001-11168, July 2001).

Analyzes decrees and statutory and regulatory provisions related to the use, distribution and control of tobacco, including: taxation; licensure of manufacturers and distributors; smoke-free environment regulation; advertising and promotion; and packaging, labeling and reporting requirements. Jurisdictions covered: AR, BR, CL, CM, JP, Mercosur.

Trade

Papademetriou & Feikert, U.S.-U.K. Free Trade Agreement (Rep. No. 2004-00230, December 2003).

Examines whether a member of the European Union (EU) can negotiate and enter into trade agreements with a non-member state. Also contains a memorandum that notes the issues around the efficacy of the United Kingdom's EU membership, and proposals to evaluate that membership. Jurisdictions covered: EU, UK.

Rodriguez-Ferrand et al., *Ratification of Trade Agreements* (Rep. No. 2002-12263, June 2002).

Evaluates the constitutional and statutory provisions that empower the government to conduct foreign affairs and enter into international agreements and conventions, including trade agreements, and presents specific procedures for ratification as well as details on implementing legislation specifically related to trade. Jurisdictions covered: AR, AU, CA, CZ, DE, FR, GR, IN, IT, NL, PL, CN, TW, CH, UK, Soviet Republics: BG, EE, GE, KY, LV, LI, MD.

Rodriguez-Ferrand et al., *Fast Track Authority in Negotiating Trade Agreements* (Rep. No. 2001-11443, August 2001).

Evaluates constitutional or statutory provisions that allow parliamentary or legislative bodies to grant the executive (or other negotiating authorities) the authority to deviate from or accelerate normal treaty negotiation or ratification processes for trade agreements. Also discusses specific provisions that grant treaty making authority, and the extent to which general policy provides executives with wide latitude when it comes to treaty negotiation. Jurisdictions covered: AU, BR, CA, CH, UK.

Shroff et al., *Antidumping and Antisubsidy Legislation* (Rep. No. 2001-10748, May 2001).

Examines international trade-related antidumping and antisubsidy measures, including: types of duties; assessment, collection and suspension of duties; the relationship between legislation and a jurisdiction's participation in GATT; retroactivity of provisions; recent investigations; and standards related to protecting the public interest. Jurisdictions covered: AU, CA, EU, MX.

Traffic Regulation

Palmer et al., *Cellular Phone Use Regulation While Driving* (Rep. No. 2001-11039, May 2001).

Evaluates provisions related to using cell phones while operating a motor vehicle, including statutes and regulations that allow hands-free use, ban use altogether, and provide exceptions. Includes a chart of countries that ban cell phone use by motor vehicle drivers. Jurisdictions covered: AT, BR, CH, DE, ES, FR, IL, IT, JP, GH, PL, TR, TW, UK.

Treaties & Agreements

Rodriguez-Ferrand et al., *National Treaty Powers and Implementation* (Rep. No. 2004-825, July 2004).

Analyzes various treaty-making processes and the implementation of bilateral and multilateral treaties into domestic law, including: relevant constitutional and legislative provisions; respective roles of the executive, legislature, and judiciary; and domestic legal effects of treaties. Includes a comparative chart and a selected bibliography. Jurisdictions covered: AR, AU, CA, EU, FR, DE, IN, IL, JP, KE, LB, MX, NL, NI, PL, RU, UK.

War Crimes

Glos et al., *War Crimes and Crimes Against Humanity* (Rep. No. 2001-10233, March 2001).

Analyzes the extent to which constitutions and statutes define and proscribe war crimes or crimes against humanity, including: definitions of specific acts (including homicide, forced prostitution, terrorism, taking hostages, barbarism, torture, failure to administer humanitarian assistance, and genocide); whether a statute of limitations applies; the basis for territorial and extraterritorial jurisdiction; and specific criminal or military provisions or policies. Jurisdictions covered: BE, CA, CO, CR, CU, CZ, DE, DJ, ES, FR, GT, ID, IN, PK, IT, LB, LV, MG, MU, MX, MY, NG, PL, RO, RU, SN, SZ, VT, ZA, ZM.