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Dedication

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Preface to Fourth Edition

This Fourth edition reflects recent developments relating to international business and finance with particular emphasis on the aftermath and response to the global financial crisis that began in 2008. This crisis, which began with the failure of many well-known global financial institutions, precipitated the worst economic downturn since the Great Depression of 1929. The text discusses the causes of the crisis and the response of governments and international organizations.

This edition describes the successes and failures of these responses and their continuing impact on global economic activity. As with prior editions, this book is designed to provide an overview of many topics relating to international business and finance, and serve as a guide to the basic issues that confront attorneys and businesspeople in international transactions.

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