



SOURCES OF INTERNATIONAL LAW

The Statute of the International Court of Justice:

Article 38.1. The Court, whose function is to decide in accordance with international law such disputes as are submitted to it, shall apply:

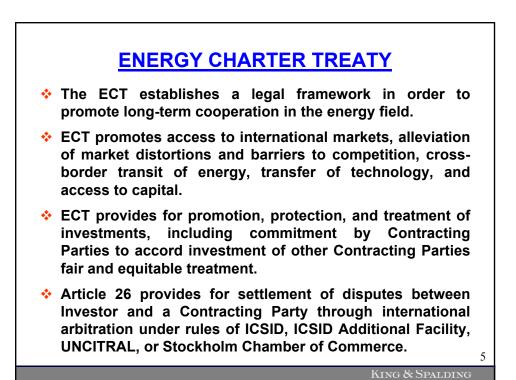
- (a) International conventions establishing rules expressly recognized by the contesting States;
- (b) International custom, as evidence of a general practice accepted as law;
- (c) The general principles of law recognized by civilized nations;
- (d) Judicial decisions and the teachings of the most highly qualified publicists of the various nations.

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POSSIBLE SOURCES OF LEX PETROLEA DERIVED FROM INTERNATIONAL LAW

- Energy Charter Treaty, entered into force 16 April 1998
- U.N. Gen. Assembly Res. 1803 (XVII) of 14 December 1962: "Permanent Sovereignty over Natural Resources"
- International principles of law generally agreed on the subject of hydrocarbons
- Code of Uniform Petroleum Laws commissioned by Fifth OPEC Conference (1963)

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