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Publications:

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- *Legal aspects of the New International Economic Order* (New York: Nichols, 1980), and;
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