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Nationalization of foreign investment has always been a controversial aspect of international law. The claims to a new international economic order, the impact of multinational corporations, the greater use of arbitrations in the settlement of investment disputes, the formulation of new economic theories on foreign investment, the evolution of the principle of permanent sovereignty over natural resources, and the use of domestic courts as a forum to test the validity of foreign nationalizations have added new dimensions to this controversy.

This book deals with the international law on nationalization of foreign property in the context of these new developments. It analyzes the effect of these developments on the existing norms of international law on nationalization, deals with recent arbitral awards involving international agreements, discusses the question of compensation for nationalization and finally assesses the efforts made in domestic courts to pursue nationalized property. Given the extent of the conflict, certain practical ways of bringing about a conflict are discussed.

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The Strait of Dover is one of the greatest international straits of the world, with a long and fascinating history of naval operations and with its approaches to the North Sea and the English Channel. It offers a review opportunity of all the marine policy issues of navigation, fisheries, minerals and pollution. Dr. Cuyver's study provides an overview of the geography and history of the Strait of Dover and its approaches, with an examination of the natural resources and their management in this area. Further, Dr. Cuyvers examines the provisions on the straits in the 1982 Law of the Sea Convention, with their application to the Strait of Dover. The largest part of the investigation, however, is reserved for the regulation of the safety of vessels and the avoidance of marine pollution in these waters. He cogently demonstrates a logical development of international understandings among the most interested states that could, if properly implemented and enforced, reduce the hazards of navigation and minimize pollution.

Dr. Cuyvers is the author of several articles and books about the sea. He is also a journalist and a cinematographer, and the founder and executive director of the Mare Nostrum Foundation, a non-profit organization dedicated to informing the public about the management of the oceans.

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