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## Review of “Teoria General del Derecho Civil Internacional, Tomo II,” By Angel Modesto Paredes

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He has a very challenging plan for the organization of the state on modern lines, and another plan for making public opinion both active and responsible. This book will repay a careful reading.

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*TEORÍA GENERAL DEL DERECHO CIVIL INTERNACIONAL, TOMO II*, by *Angel Modesto Paredes*. Quito: Talleres Gráficos Nacionales, 1934. Pp. 355.

This work on International Civil Law, by the professor of the subject in the Central University of Ecuador, has been praised highly by such authorities as Sánchez de Bustamante, Cosentini, and Alcorta. The second volume, after attempting to base the civil law on a theory of social justice, proceeds to discuss the extritoriality of the law, its authoritative bases, the local applications of the law, its basis in public order, and finally to make a review of legislation with respect to the subjects discussed. The author's primary purpose has been, he says, to discover the fundamental reasons of an intrinsic character which justify the accepted decisions in cases of international civil law covering persons, things, and actions. In this endeavor he has sought to go beyond mere technicality and precedent in search of the fundamental bases of social order. Especially has he sought to avoid all legal rationalizations as such. As is generally the case with Latin American legal treatises, there is much emphasis upon the Roman law and the treatment leans heavily toward the philosophy of law, and but little to precedent as a justification.

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