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**Ads Book Preface** This textbook is one of the best-selling international business textbooks in both the United States and the rest of the world. Widely used in both undergraduate and MBA level courses, this text has had authorized translations into Spanish, Chinese, Thai, and Russian, and it will soon be in Albanian, Korean, and Macedonian as well. This textbook set the global standard for studying the environments and operations of international business. The elements of success that have driven this performance anchor our efforts to make this edition the best version yet. We believe these efforts result in a textbook that provides you and your students the best possible understanding of what is happening and is likely to happen in the world of business. Authoritative, Relevant, Current Students, faculty, and managers praise this book for its compelling balance between rigorous, authoritative theory and meaningful practice within the context of a fresh, current analysis of the international business environment. Indeed, this book not only describes the ideas of international business but also uses contemporary examples, scenarios, and cases to make sense of what managers do and should do. We include multiple insights and real-world examples, which we base on our research, discussions with managers and other stakeholders, opinions of students and professors, and observations from traveling the world. Since , the authors have traveled individually to more than 45 countries, only a few of which overlapped. We traveled to every region and nearly every continent, which provided significant insights we were able to use in this edition. We believe no other textbook comes close to successfully blending a comprehensive review of international business theory with exhaustive attention to what happens in the many parts of the global market. We are confident that this new edition, by making international business ideas and practices more meaningful than ever before, will give students a comprehensive, current view of international business in the twenty-first century.

**Relevant Materials That Engage Students** Author-Written Cases An enduring strength of this text is its in-depth case profiles of cutting-edge issues in international business. This edition introduces new cases and updates and revises the remaining. As such, we believe they set the standard for integration of theory and practice in an international business textbook on the following three levels: Cases engage an extensive range of topics from environmental, institutional, country, industry, company, and individual perspectives. No one perspective dominates; all are represented and, hence, create a meaningful representation of the world of international business. Scope of Geographic Coverage: Cases cover topics in settings that span the globe; no region is unaddressed, no major market is neglected. Scope of Company Coverage: Cases look at various issues from a range of company perspectives, notably companies headquartered in all regions of the world, from large MNEs to small exporters, from old-line manufacturers to emergent cyber businesses, from companies that make products to those that deliver services. Opening Case Each chapter starts with a provocative case written to set the stage for the major issues covered in the chapter. These cases, by variously taking the point of view of individuals, companies, governments, and institutions, give a great sense of the richness of the ensuing chapter. Material from the opening cases is then integrated with chapter discussions that we highlight in the text. Closing Case Each chapter closes with a rich, elaborate case that integrates the ideas and tools presented in the chapter. The closing cases aim to put the student into a situation that asks, given certain circumstances, what should be done. Called on to analyze issues and decisions for which the chapter prepares them, students can then grapple with many of the opportunities and challenges of international business.

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questions that students can complete and submit via MyManagementLab are provided at the end of each chapter. New online, interactive simulations created just for international business courses engage students and help them understand how international business concepts apply in realistic situations. Simulations are accessible in MyManagementLab.

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Appreciate the uses of national income data in making business decisions. Discuss North America as a major marketplace and business center in the world economy. Describe Western Europe as a major marketplace and business center in the world economy. Discuss Asia as a major marketplace and business center in the world economy. Trade Is Blossoming The opening case explores the boom in the floral industry around the world in countries including Colombia, Ecuador and China, which in turn is driving economic growth in these regions. The chapter considers the major centers of international business and analyzes existing patterns of trade. It is designed to act as a reference chapter for students as they develop their knowledge of the field of international business. Include a discussion of Figure 2. Students are often surprised to find out that they may actually know very little about basic world geography. An interesting exercise for students at this point in the course is to provide them with a blank world map and ask them to fill in various countries, cities, capitals, etc. This exercise not only provides students with a measure by which to gauge their knowledge, but it also provides instructors with a basic idea of what students already know about world geography. It has the highest per capita income in North America. Also, it is a favorite target for firms from higher-income countries. In addition, the U. International trade, although growing in recent years, is still a relatively small component of the U. This phenomenon is probably due in part to the large geographic size of the country. Mexico signed a similar agreement with the European Union in In it signed free trade pacts with El Salvador, Guatemala, and Honduras; and in it signed pacts with Japan and Uruguay. The Case of Mexico. The United States and other developed countries have contributed to the slow economic development of these countries by limiting the access of Central American and Caribbean goods into their markets. Costa Rica is one of the few exceptions to this economic situation. The members of the European Union have agreed to reduce barriers to trade and investment among themselves in an effort to achieve greater prosperity. Germany, the third largest economy in the world, is the most economically powerful nation in the EU. See Chapter 6

Opening Case: These countries, considered rich by the World Bank, follow free market-oriented policies. The Czech Republic, Hungary, and Poland are all now classified by the World Bank as "middle-income" countries and are further along in their economic development than some of their former peers. The situation is far worse in the former Yugoslavia. Slovenia, Croatia, and Macedonia have partially avoided the economic ravages of war over control of Bosnia in the late s. Serbia, Montenegro, and Bosnia are still struggling to recover. They are not very attractive places for MNCs to invest. The process of transforming their economies from a communist to a capitalist system was not easy. One of the most important challenges in this process is that of privatization selling state-owned property to the public sector. They are primarily Muslim countries suffering from scarcity of arable land and from poverty. Afghanistan was invaded by Russia in the Russians withdrew ten years later. After the September 11, , Al Qaeda terrorist attacks, the U. The new Afghan government faces many challenges as it attempts to consolidate power and promote development. Asia is unique in that it is a source of both high- and low-quality products and of both expensive and inexpensive labor. Further, the region attracts MNC investments, and is a major supplier of capital to non-Asian countries. Moreover, its companies are increasingly pressuring European and North American companies to improve their operations. A keiretsu is a large family of interrelated firms. Although Japan is frequently criticized for its exports, it should be recognized that its exports are a smaller portion of its GDP than is the case for many nations. However, the country seemingly restricts importers from competing for its domestic market. This topic will be discussed in more depth in Chapter Nine. The question of whether Japan practices free trade usually generates good discussion among students. New Zealand, the other traditional industrial power in Pacific Asia, has aggressively moved to deregulate and privatize its economy. While many publications still classify the Four Tigers as Emerging Markets, they have in fact already emerged as indicated by their having achieved high income classification by the World Bank for more than a decade. Chaebol are large, privately

owned conglomerates such as Samsung, Hyundai, and Daewoo. Today, however, many of the chaebol are experiencing financial difficulties as a result of the Asian currency crisis. Taiwan, the island off mainland China, has relied on private businesses and export-oriented trade policies to bring about its phenomenal growth. Today, Taiwan has outgrown its status as a low-cost manufacturing center, and instead focuses on high-value-added industries, such as electronics and automotive parts. Singapore is another nation that can no longer compete with low-cost labor countries, and instead has shifted to higher value-added activities, including oil refining and chemical processing. The country gains much of its economic growth through the practice of reexporting. So important are exports to Singapore that, in , they made up percent of the GDP. Singapore thrives on reexporting. Hong Kong was ceded back to the PRC in but will continue to enjoy special privileges under Chinese rule until . The country is also active in banking and financial services throughout East Asia. In addition, Hong Kong acts as a middleman for companies that wish to do business with mainland China. Hong Kong exported percent of its GDP in . Today, the PRC continues to adopt market-oriented economic policies, but always under the watchful eye of the Communist Party. As the private sector has developed, foreign investment in the country has soared, particularly by firms located in the Four Tigers that are seeking innovative low-cost labor. It has relied on state ownership of key industries as a key to its economic development. In the past, India has not seen international trade as being important, and instead has subsidized globally uncompetitive firms and relied on its large domestic market. However, in , the Indian government launched a series of economic reforms that lessened restrictions on foreign investment. The reforms have started to pay off, and foreign companies are beginning to consider India for possible expansion. Their GDPs enjoyed annual growth rates averaging over 7 percent from to . However, the currency crisis seriously hurt these countries. Even so, they have continued to be the target of large flows of foreign investment, particularly by Japanese companies seeking low-cost labor. Egypt occupies the northeastern tip of the African continent and represents the western boundary of what is commonly known as the Middle East. Though countries on the African continent are now independent, some vestiges of colonialism remain and affect international business. Much of the economy still revolves around subsistence farming. South Africa is expected to be the dominant power in the continent during the twenty-first century. Countries in the region are trying to plan for a life after oil and are beginning to diversify their economies. Dubai, for example, is attracting investors by offering all the benefits of a foreign trade zone. Until recently, most South American countries have followed an economic policy of import substitution. The trouble with the policy is that in most cases the domestic market is too small to allow producers to gain the necessary economies of scale and mass production. Consequently, domestic prices rise above prices in other markets, putting exporters at a competitive disadvantage. To improve the competitiveness of the companies and maintain employment levels, governments usually resort to subsidies and even nationalization. Today, the nations of South America are reversing their import substitution policies in favor of free trade agreements with neighboring countries, and are following a policy of privatization. The United States has a unique position in the world economy because of its size and political stability. Approximately one-half of all international transactions are denominated in U. The United States is also a recipient of long-term investment. International trade remains a relatively small component of the U. Analytic Skills; Learning Outcome: Discuss the trends and debate over globalization 2. How do differences in income levels and income distribution among nations affect international businesses? Countries are typically classified according to the World Bank scheme as being high-income, middle-income, or low-income nations. Firms can use this information to help identify the best markets for their products. For example, a firm with a range of products in different price categories might export the most expensive, sophisticated products to high-income countries, and the low-priced, standard products to low-income countries. Similarly, a firm seeking sources of low-cost labor would consider low-income countries, while a firm needing a well-developed infrastructure would look at higher-income countries. MITI, a government agency, partnered with Japanese businesses to help guide corporate production and investment strategies in a manner that helped Japanese businesses concentrate initially on basic industries such as steel, and then later to move into automobiles, electronics, and so on. Dynamics of the Global Economy; Learning Outcome: Describe how differences in political economy influence economic development 4. What is a keiretsu? A

keiretsu is a large family of interrelated companies that share ownership among each other. The members often act as suppliers, buyers, and distributors for one another. Describe how differences in political economy influence economic development 5. Who are the Four Tigers? Why are they important to international business?

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