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Haas has written the most comprehensive and detailed text on human rights to date. It provides an indispensable resource for seasoned scholars as well as students who seek an accessible entry into this complex field.

David B. Ingram, Loyola University Chicago, USA.

A refreshing take on human rights, balancing depth and clarity with the richness of examples. Ideal for teaching because it both informs and encourages critical thinking and action.

Christien Van Den Anker, University of the West of England, UK.

Michael Haas' *International Human Rights* 2<sup>nd</sup> Edit. is truly a 'comprehensive' introduction. It covers all the major bases in this ever expanding field. As someone who has used the first edition as a textbook in introductory courses on human rights, I am delighted to find that this second edition provides even more analytical depth as it describes the various norms, treaties, histories, institutions and debates the fall within the modern international human rights regime. I look forward to using it in the future

J. Paul Martin is professor and director of human rights studies at Barnard College, Columbia University, USA.

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Richard Burchill, Wilberforce Institute for the Study of Slavery and Emancipation, University of Hull, UK.

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Jacqueline C. Reich, Associate Professor of Political Science, Chestnut Hill College, USA.

International Human Rights is not only a comprehensive introduction to the subject of human rights and related topics, it is also a detailed, clear, thoughtful, provocative volume that will prove valuable to government policy makers, NGOs, jurists, lawyers, researchers, teachers and students now and into the future. I highly recommend it.

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## About the Author

**Michael Haas** is a Nobel Peace Prize nominee and the author of more than 40 books on government and politics, primarily focused on human rights. He has recently analyzed the situations in Cambodia, Korea, and Singapore as well as the major war crimes of the twenty-first century.

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