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Propositions relating to the dissertation

## THE CRIME OF AGGRESSION AND PUBLIC INTERNATIONAL LAW

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- 1) The aggressed State is the victim of the crime of aggression. In this sense the crime of aggression is inherently different from other international crimes such as genocide, crimes against humanity, and war crimes, which protect individuals as victims.
- 2) The prosecution of an individual for the crime of aggression should be regarded as satisfaction, provided as a part of reparations for an internationally wrongful act by the aggressor State.
- 3) The crime of aggression should be excluded from the victims' participation and the victims' reparations schemes under the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court.
- 4) The regime of complementarity under the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court should fully apply to the crime of aggression; domestic courts should be the primary fora for prosecution of the crime of aggression.
- 5) *Pacta sunt servanda* is not *ipso facto* affected by the existence of an armed conflict.
- 6) The obligation of third parties not to knowingly procure breach of an international obligation should be of particular importance in addressing responsibility for serious breaches of obligations under peremptory norms of general international law.
- 7) The principle of equality between belligerents even in cases of aggression provides the best solution in terms of law, policy and moral philosophy.
- 8) Multilateral recognition of the criminalisation of aggression should be taken as a yet another indication of maturing of international law.
- 9) Being in the presence of love is when you dare to do everything, as love transcends all limitations of human conditions.
- 10) A beautiful friendship is one that serves no purpose and no reason other than to illustrate how utterly different two people are from each other.
- 11) The impressionists were the masters of capturing the delight of a particular moment, in a particular place, in a particular light.
- 12) The only way to atone for being occasionally a little over-dressed is by being always absolutely over-educated.