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**Laws of encounter: a jurisdictional account of international law**

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Drawing on the anthropological tradition of jurisdictional thought, this article critically rethinks international law as a law of encounter. The article shows how international law is constituted through the encounter between states and non-state actors, and raises the question of the responsibility of the international lawyer in such an articulation.

**INTRODUCTION**

Some while ago now, there was an exhibition at the British Gallery at the School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS) in London, which brought together a photograph of a bronze plaque from the Indus Valley, a photograph of a manuscript from North Central India, and text by Jennifer Widner.<sup>1</sup>

The title of the exhibition was 'The Law of the Land'. It was a title that I have been currently being used when the non-Hindu tribal people in what is now

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<sup>1</sup> SOAS, *A Diverse People: An Unifying Approach Under Themes in Tribal Law*, Tradition, Continuity and Change in Indian Tribes (ed. Jennifer Widner), SOAS, London, 2009, pp. viii–ix. See also Robert Muggah, 'Foreword', *Ibid.* See also Jennifer Widner, 'Foreword', in *The State, Peace and Justice in India's Tribes* (ed. Jennifer Widner), Oxford University Press, New Delhi, 2010, p. xiii.

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