Chapter 11: Criminal Responsibility Worksheet

11.1 Case Study: An African Dictator's Day in Court

- In your own words, briefly summarize important facts about the case. Include important actors and events.
- What are the important legal and political questions raised by this case?

11.2 Creating International Crimes

Principles

- What are the key principles for this area of international law?
- Provide 2—3 examples that apply each of these principles.

Evolution

- What are the key events and documents in the evolution of this area of international law?
- What institutions oversee this area of international law?

11.3 Establishing Guilt

Core Crimes

- Describe the key components of each crime
- Provide examples of actual international prosecutions (where possible)

Forms of Responsibility

- Describe each major form of responsibility
- Provide examples of actual international prosecutions

Possible Defenses

Describe each possible defense

• Provide examples of actual international prosecutions

11.4 Enforcing International Criminal Law

International Criminal Court

- Explain where the ICC has jurisdiction to prosecute an individual (and when it does not)
- What are the stages of an ICC prosecution, and who is involved in each stage?
- What obligation do members of the ICC have?
- What are Article 98 agreements?

Universal Jurisdiction

- What are the common bases of domestic court jurisdiction? How does universal jurisdiction differ from these bases?
- What intellectual justifications are offered for universal jurisdiction?
- Provide 2—3 examples of universal jurisdiction prosecutions.
- What treaties affect universal jurisdiction? Why?

11.5 Case Study Revisited: Did Chad Get Justice or Political Retribution?

- How do the topics discussed in this chapter help you to understand this case?
- How would you answer the legal and political questions that are raised by this case?¹

¹ Note: Some of these questions may require that you express an opinion or make a value judgment. There is no inherently correct or incorrect opinion/value, but you should be able to support your answer (and argue against alternative opinions/values) using basic facts and logic.