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Theses

Belonging to the dissertation *Excusable Evil: An Analysis of Complete Defenses in International Criminal Law* to be defended by Maartje Krabbe on 10 April 2014.

1. Complete defenses should be available to defendants at international criminal courts.
2. A formalized distinction between justifications and excuses will enhance the judicial fairness of international criminal trials.
3. Literature on international criminal law accurately describes the highlights of the relationship between complete defenses and general requirements for criminal liability. However, this description does not touch upon the complexity of this relationship.
4. Proportionality is not a necessary requirement of an excuse.
5. Plea agreements before international criminal courts are incompatible with at least one of the aims of these courts: the establishment of a historical record containing the truth.
6. Distribution of wealth and equal access to education will considerably reduce the workload of the International Criminal Court.
7. *Ad hoc* tribunals are so last century.
8. Treaties on drugs prohibition and arguments for drugs regulation agree on ultimate goals.
9. The existence of a separation of powers in the Netherlands would be more convincing if the court and the office of the public prosecutor never shared the same phone number.
10. Mae West's creed "Between two evils, I always pick the one I never tried before" is of no use when solving proportionality issues in criminal law.
11. Het zorgwekkende van het fenomeen 'komkommernieuws' is dat er kennelijk ook buiten de komkommertijd allerlei razend interessante dingen gebeuren, waar wij helaas nooit iets over horen.