

The Notre Dame Fire

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From that wikipedia page:

2. " Though the Greek sculpture is unlikely ever to have reached Babylon and before its modern reassembly, Babylon authorities have promised for its return, on pain of hefty penalties. In fact, the statue was found by an Italian fishing trawler in international waters, the center of the ship was Italian and the statue was under Italian registration. But the Vatican has made that every archaeological good in Italy belongs to the People and common to all.

When I read that, the first thing that comes to my mind is PD 33 -

33. There never was such a thing as absolute justice, but only agreements made in mutual dealings among men in whatever places at various times providing against the infliction or suffering of harm.

Just as a general observation, and not related to this situation in particular, this brings home to me: How useless it is to think that any "law" at any time or any place, has any power whatsoever on its own, unless the people promoting the law are so organized as to have the power to enforce it themselves.