

## COMPARISON OF TWO PARADIGMS

### War System

- security (of a state or alliance) sought unilaterally
- no shared institutions of law recognized in common by all states
- disputes arbitrated by threats, and ultimately, war
- disputes settled in favor of strongest
- highest authority: each state is authority unto itself, determining for itself when force is justified

### Common Security System/ World Federation

- security sought through co-operation of all states
- shared institutions, with procedures for dispute settlement established in advance by common agreement
- disputes arbitrated by third party (courts) backed by sanctions supported by the community
- disputes settled according to strength of argument under law
- highest authority: vested by agreement among all states in common institutions of law which have sole jurisdiction for authorizing force

