

Herodotus on the United Nations

Nobody asked but ...

Both recent and long term developments at the United Nations have been illuminated by newly discovered (by me) passages from Herodotus of Halicarnassus. They are:

Force has no place where there is need of skill.

And

I never yet feared those men who set a place apart in the middle of their cities where they gather to cheat one another and swear oaths which they break.

— Kilgore Forelle