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The United States does not officially recognize Vatican City as a State under international law. This article examines United States' relations with Vatican City and questions why the United States has not officially recognized Vatican City as a State. The authors analyze the requirements of statehood and the concepts of recognition as applied to Vatican City. They then cogently assert that in light of past United States practice, and contemporary international developments, that the United States would be well advised to extend official recognition to Vatican City. An attached appendix listing international documents to which the Vatican is a signatory provides an aid to further research, as well as reflecting the involvement of the Vatican in the international community.

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