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Increasingly, the use of force during armed conflict is being assessed through the perspective of human rights law, as a result of the overlap between the paradigms of criminal law enforcement and international humanitarian law. Situations of noninternational armed conflict, occupation, and terrorism are especially suited to the application, with some adjustment, of the better developed human rights accountability principles to ensure that there are no gaps in humanitarian protection.

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