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The proliferation of private military and security companies (PMSCs) in armed conflict raises concerns about state control over military/security activities. Hannah Tonkin critically analyses the key international obligations on states to control PMSCs in armed conflict and identifies the circumstances in which PMSC misconduct may lead to state responsibility.

Hannah Tonkin completed a masters and doctorate in international law at the University of Oxford on a Rhodes Scholarship, after having previously completed degrees in science and law at the University of Adelaide. She has worked as a lawyer at the UN International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia and taught international law at the University of Oxford. She is now a lawyer at the UN International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda in Arusha, Tanzania.

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