

CIPL DISCUSSION GROUP

International law and the use of force

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This discussion group will focus on the present status and emerging trends in the norms governing the use of force under the United Nations Charter and customary international law. Particular regard will be paid to aspects of the UN Secretary General's Report "in Larger Freedom" of 2005, and future challenges to international conflict management.

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