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 - Protected by IHL if
 - The third country is the adverse party in an international armed conflict
 - The third country is affected by another armed conflict
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See

- [Case No. 228, Case Study, Armed Conflicts in the Great Lakes Region \[Para. 1.B.\]](#)
- Persons fleeing persecution
 - Protected by IHL if the third country is affected by an armed conflict
 - “Protected persons” if the third country is subsequently affected by an international armed conflict, even if they are nationals of the occupying power or of a State having normal diplomatic representation in the third State
 - Loss of refugee status if they have committed war crimes

See

- [Case No. 155, Canada, Ramirez v. Canada](#)
- [Case No. 195, Canada, Sivakumar v. Canada](#)
- [Case No. 241, Switzerland, The Niyonteze Case \[Para. A.10.a\]](#)
- The principle of non-refoulement in IHL
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 - Under the general direction of the ICRC
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