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Wars of national liberation were formerly classed by international law as civil wars but are now regarded as international armed conflict and therefore regulated as such by international humanitarian law.

They are armed conflicts <sup>[1]</sup> in which peoples are fighting against colonial domination and alien occupation and against racist regimes in the exercise of their right to self-determination <sup>[2]</sup>.

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