The term “Hague Conventions” describes the treaties and declarations that were adopted in The Hague and that contain rules regulating warfare. These include a series of international treaties and declarations that were adopted at two international peace conferences in 1890 and 1907 and the 1954 Hague Convention on the Protection of Cultural Property in the event of armed conflict.

The rules emanating from these Conventions – the Law of the Hague governed the use of means and methods of warfare, conduct of hostilities and occupation, as opposed to the Law of Geneva – which primarily governed the protection of war victims.

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