This general expression covers confrontations between

a. two or more States (See International armed conflict);
b. a State and a body other than a State (See War of national liberation);
c. a State and a dissident faction (See Non-international armed conflict);
d. two or more organized armed groups within a State (See Non-international armed conflict).

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