

New Battlefields OLD LAWS

From the Hague Conventions to Asymmetric Warfare

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The Operationalization of the Law | Sept. 10, 2013, Herzliya, Israel

ESTEEMED PARTICIPANTS

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WORKSHOP AGENDA

9:30 - 9:35 a.m. Greetings & Introduction
William C. Banks

9:35- noon The Operationalization of the Law
Moderator: Geoffrey Corn

Based on a posed scenario, participants present their understanding of:

1. The meaning of “unnecessary suffering,” attacking military belligerents when capture is a feasible alternative.
2. How to assess what is “excessive” civilian harm during an otherwise lawful attack.
3. What is the extent of the “precautions” obligation during complex targeting operations?

Noon - 2 p.m.

Conclusions & Discussion

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