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This Military Briefing seeks to answer these questions through the framework of military justice. First, this presentation will clarify what state action is required, and when, in response to allegations of an international humanitarian law violation. From there the characteristics of military justice will be introduced. The presentation will conclude by considering some current challenges, coalition operations and the UN’s new investigative requirements.

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