

In civil wars, state forces more likely than rebel groups to engage in sexual violence

Data gathered from over 90 civil wars waged over the course of three decades shows that state forces are more likely to resort to sexual violence than rebel groups.

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