



### THE EFFECTS OF ARMED CONFLICTS ON TREATIES: SUSPENSION AND TERMINATION IN RECENT CRISES

The article analyses the most recent international practice that suggests a tendency of States to employ termination or suspension of treaties as measures to enforce the international responsibility of the belligerent State. As shown in the Russia-Ukraine conflict: not only have belligerents suspended pre-war agreements, but also third States have equally resorted to such measures to demonstrate alignment.

The analysis is situated within a longstanding and still unsettled debate in international law: although many conflicts have prompted scholarly inquiry into the fate of conventional law upon the outbreak of hostilities, the exact effects of armed conflicts on treaties remain uncertain. On the one hand, there are those maintaining that no generally applicable rule exists. On the other hand, there are those asserting that a rule does exist, in the form of *ipso facto* termination or suspension.