

International Cyber Law in Practice: Interactive Toolkit

States A and B are neighbouring States with a history of tense relations. State A is holding elections and the polls predict a very close contest between the two leading political parties: one staunchly adversarial to State B, the other one much more friendly to State B's goals and values. In order to tilt the balance to the pro-B political party, State B launches a covert cyber operation against the electronic ballot counting system in State A (**incident 1**). The operation successfully manipulates the counting mechanism, changing the result from a close win for the anti-B party to a close win for the pro-B party, which then assumes power in State A. However, suspicions soon start to mount and State A forms a special unit to investigate into possible election tampering, which is a crime under State A's domestic laws. After indicators of compromise lead it to suspect State B's involvement, the unit launches a series of cyber operations, which enable it to remotely access a large number of computers in State B's territory and exfiltrate information to be used as evidence in criminal proceedings in State A (**incident 2**).

PRIZE DRAW QUESTIONS

An answer will be considered to be correct only if it also refers to a Toolkit scenario that contains support for the relevant view. You need to answer all three questions correctly in order to be included in the prize draw.

1. Does the manipulation of the electronic ballot counting system in State A (incident 1) qualify as a prohibited intervention against that State?

Answer (please choose one option only)			Scenario (please fill in a number between 01 and 13)
Yes	No	It depends / it's complicated	

2. Does the remote access operation against computers in State B (incident 2) amount to a violation of that State's sovereignty?

Answer (please choose one option only)			Scenario (please fill in a number between 01 and 13)
Yes	No	It depends / it's complicated	

3. Does this sequence of cyber operations (incidents 1 and 2 taken together) trigger the application of international humanitarian law as between States A and B?

Answer (please choose one option only)			Scenario (please fill in a number between 01 and 13)
Yes	No	It depends / it's complicated	

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OPTIONAL QUESTIONS

Answering these questions is optional and will have no bearing on your eligibility to enter the prize draw.

Do you expect that the Toolkit will affect the way you approach your work in any way in the future? Please explain.

Do you have any further comments or suggestions about the project? Please use this space to let us know.

CONTACT DETAILS

Please fill in your e-mail address below in order to be able to enter the prize draw. If you would like to receive more information about the Toolkit in the future, please indicate that in the appropriate section below.

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