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## The Law Against War: The Prohibition on the Use of Force in Contemporary International Law

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Bloomsbury Publishing PLC, United Kingdom, 2012. Paperback. Book Condition: New. Reprint. 234 x 156 mm. Language: English Brand New Book \*\*\*\*\* Print on Demand \*\*\*\*\*.The Law against War is a translated and updated version of a book published in 2008 in French (Le droit contre la guerre, Pedone). The aim of this book is to study the prohibition of the use of armed force in contemporary positive international law. Some commentators claim that the field has undergone substantial changes arising especially since the end of the Cold War in the 1990s. More specifically, several scholars consider that the prohibition laid down as a principle in the United Nations Charter of 1945 should be relaxed in the present-day context of international relations, a change that would seem to be reflected in the emergence of ideas such as humanitarian intervention, preventive war or in the possibility of presuming Security Council authorisation under certain exceptional circumstances. The argument in this book is that while marked changes have been observed, above all since the 1990s, the legal regime laid down by the Charter remains founded on a genuine jus contra bellum and not on the jus ad bellum that characterised earlier periods. The...



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