

# 13TH INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN LAW ESSAY COMPETITION FOR EAST AFRICAN UNIVERSITY STUDENTS 2015

## QUESTION

Contemporary conflicts are increasingly being fought in cities, towns and densely populated areas. With this, the use of explosive weapons in populated areas has become very common. The devastating effect of this is unspeakable.

As a legal scholar and student of International Humanitarian Law, what is your view regarding use of explosive weapons in populated areas? What does the law say about it? Do you think the existing legal norms are adequate to regulate use of such weapons in populated areas? If not, what must be done to enhance protection of civilians and civilian property that might be affected by such weapons?

## INSTRUCTIONS

- Essays must be typed, properly referenced and structured, and a bibliography provided.
- Essays must not exceed 4000 words (including the foot notes but excluding the bibliography)
- The Essay and a copy of student's identification card must be received at the ICRC Regional Office in Nairobi by 13 April 2015 either by post or email. Late entries will not be accepted.
- The three best essays will receive awards.

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