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On the occasion of the opening of the Spring Semester, **Noam Lubell** will examine the legal complexities arising from military actions against armed groups that are located in multiple states.

His lecture will notably address the issues of invoking self-defence in multiple territories; the notion of ‘unwilling or unable’; the concept of associated forces; classification of armed conflict; geographical scope of the law of armed conflict; and the relevance of extraterritorial human rights obligations.

On this occasion, the Geneva Academy will distribute copies of its new In-Brief: *Armed Non-State Actors in the Human Rights Council*.

Snacks and refreshments will be served after the inaugural lecture.

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