Authoritarian Statism, the United States, and War

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Using Nicos Poulantzas’ theory of Authoritarian Statism, this paper examines the United States’ - in particular, the Trump administration’s - approach to power in the domestic arena, and its impact on public international law and war.

Publicising Consent: Intervention by Invitation in the Age of Liquid Warfare

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The paper is an investigation of the extent to which the secrecy of consent to the covert use of force impacts upon its validity. To put it differently, it is an investigation as to whether there is a ‘publicity requirement’ in consenting to intervention. There will be examination of various examples of state practice to demonstrate that there is no such requirement, emphasising the limited potential for jus ad bellum to restrict states having recourse to military force.

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