Human Rights and Security Forum

Terrorism and Human Rights

To what extent is a State under a positive obligation to protect its citizens against terrorism? Would it be viable to fulfil such an obligation without violating (other) fundamental rights and freedoms? Are the ordinary requirements for a fair trial compatible with national security when suspects of terrorism stand on trial?

by Johannes Silvis,
Judge of the European Court of Human Rights

Johannes Silvis (1953) is Judge in the European Court of Human Rights since 2012. Before his election in Strasbourg he was Advocate-General at the Dutch Supreme Court, after having served as a Judge and Vice-President of the Court of Appeal in The Hague. During the Dutch Presidency of the European Union in 2004, he chaired the Council Working Group on Penal Cooperation in the European Union.

Discussant

Fiona de Londras is the inaugural Professor of Global Legal Studies at the University of Birmingham, and adjunct faculty at UNSW and UCD Schools of Law. She has held visiting positions around the world, most recently at the University of Oxford. She writes extensively on human rights and comparative constitutionalism, with a particular specialisation in the constitutionalist and human rights challenges posed by contemporary approaches to countering terrorism. Her books on this include Detention in the ‘War on Terror’ (CUO, 2011), Critical Debates on Counter-Terrorism Judicial Review (with Davis, CUP 2014), and The Impact, Legitimacy and Effectiveness of EU Counter-Terrorism (with Doody, Routledge 2015).

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With discussant Professor Fiona de Londras

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