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„Collective self-defence or regional enforcement action: the legality of a SADC intervention in Cabo Delgado and the question of Mozambican consent“

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The lecture focuses broadly on the situation in northern Mozambique, and, more specifically, on the legality of military operations there by the Southern African Development Community (SADC). In July of 2021, the sixteen-member regional block authorised the deployment of the SADC Mission in Mozambique (SAMIM) – to counter a growing insurgency in the province. However, even before its deployment, questions relating to a potential legal basis were present. The lecture examines two predominant legal bases: collective self-defence under the SADC Mutual Defence Pact as had been claimed prior to the deployment; and, consent based deployment since the authorisation of the mission last year.

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