Record Nr. UNINA9910783124303321 Autore Zegveld Liesbeth **Titolo** Accountability of armed opposition groups in international law / / Liesbeth Zegveld Cambridge:,: Cambridge University Press,, 2002 Pubbl/distr/stampa **ISBN** 1-107-13259-2 1-280-41853-2 1-139-14787-0 0-511-18003-9 0-511-06445-4 0-511-05812-8 0-511-32630-0 0-511-49519-6 0-511-07291-0 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (xxviii, 260 pages) : digital, PDF file(s) Collana Cambridge studies in international and comparative law;; 24 Disciplina 341.68 Soggetti Civil war - Protection of civilians Insurgency Combatants and noncombatants (International law) Revolutions Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references (p. 231-241) and index. Nota di contenuto 1. Legal restraints on armed opposition groups as such -- 2. Substantive obligations of armed opposition groups as such -- 3. Accountability of group leaders -- 4. Accountability of armed opposition groups as such -- 5. Accountability of the state for acts of armed opposition groups -- 6. The quest for accountability. Sommario/riassunto Who is accountable under international law for the acts committed by armed opposition groups? In today's world the majority of political conflicts involve non-state actors attempting to exert political influence (such as overthrowing a government or bringing about secession). Notwithstanding their impact on the course of events, however, we often know little about these groups, and even less about how to treat

their actions legally. In this award-winning scholarship, Liesbeth Zegveld examines the need to legally identify the parties involved when internal conflicts arise, and the reality of their demands for rights. Her study draws upon international humanitarian law, human rights law and international criminal law to consider a fundamental question: who is accountable for the acts committed by non-state actors, or for the failure to prevent or repress these acts? This study will be of interest to academics, postgraduate students and professionals involved with armed conflict and international relations.