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More than one billion people under the age of eighteen live in territories affected by armed conflict. Despite this, scholars and practitioners often lack a comprehensive knowledge of how children both struggle within and shape conflict zones. *Children and Global Conflict* provides this understanding with a view to enhancing the prospects of conflict resolution and peace building.

This book presents key ideas and issues relating to children's experiences of war, international relations and international law. The authors explore the political, conceptual and moral debates around children in these contexts and offer examples and solutions based on case studies of child soldiers from Vietnam, child forced migrants in Australia, young peace builders in post-conflict zones, youth in the international justice system, and child advocates across South Asia and the Middle East.

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Abbreviations

AIHRC	Afghanistan Independent Human Rights Commission
API and APII	Additional Protocols I and II to the Geneva Conventions of 1949
APMBC	Anti-Personnel Mine Ban Convention 1999
CAVR	Commission for Reception, Truth and Reconciliation (East Timor)
CCM	Convention on Cluster Munitions 2010
CEDAW	Convention to Eliminate all forms of Discrimination Against Women 1981
CRIN	Child Rights International Network
CRPD	Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities 2008
CZOP	children as zones of peace
DRV	Democratic Republic of Congo
HRC	Human Rights Committee
IASFM	International Association for the Study of Forced Migration
ICC	International Criminal Court
ICRC	International Committee of the Red Cross
ICTR	International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda
ICTY	International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia
IDPs	internally displaced persons
IHL	international humanitarian law
ILO	International Labour Organization
IMA	Illegal Maritime Arrival
IR	international relations
ISAF	International Security Assistance Forces
LRA	Lord's Resistance Army (Uganda)
LTTE	Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam

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MDGs	Millennium Development Goals
NGO	non-governmental organisation
NSSC	New Social Studies of Childhood
OSRSG-CaAC	Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict
PEL	Practice of Everyday Life
R2P	Responsibility to Protect
RPF	Rwandan Patriotic Front
RUF	Revolutionary United Front of Sierra Leone
UNAMA	United Nations Assistance Mission in Afghanistan
UNCRC	United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child 1989
UNGA	UN General Assembly
UNICEF	United Nations Children Fund
UNRWA	UN Relief and Works Agency
UNTAET	UN Transitional Authority in East Timor
UNDP	United Nations Development Programme
UNESCO	United Nations Education, Science and Cultural Organisation
UNHCR	United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees
UDHR	Universal Declaration of Human Rights