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New ICRtoP Publication:

**“At a Glance” –
Civilian and Military Capacity to Protect Populations**

Third educational tool in series of documents on measures available under the third pillar of RtoP

[At a Glance – Civilian and Military Capacity to Protect Populations](#)

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— ICRtoP is pleased to announce the third publication in a new series of “**At a Glance**” educational tools on measures available under the third pillar. This new “*At a Glance*” document discusses the many purposes for establishing protection mandates and the range of military measures available when responding to threats of mass atrocities. The publication elaborates on UN actors and regional arrangements that contribute to all components of military protection operations, and articulates the challenges facing missions once they are authorized to protect populations. Previous publications in this series have focused on [preventive diplomacy](#) and [regional and international justice](#).

Since 2009, the United Nations (UN) General Assembly has held an annual informal, interactive dialogue on the Responsibility to Protect (RtoP, R2P). The discourse is based in part on [reports](#) published by the UN Secretary-General ahead of the meetings exploring measures within the

norm's scope or the role of various actors. These dialogues are an important opportunity for Member States, regional and sub-regional organizations and civil society to discuss the norm's implementation and assess best practices from past crisis situations. This year, the General Assembly plans to discuss the broad range of political, economic, humanitarian and, if necessary, military response measures available to actors at the national, regional, and international levels within the third pillar of the Responsibility to Protect.

ICRtoP encourages actors at all levels to participate in this timely discussion and generate constructive conversation on the regional and international community's response to imminent threats or occurrences of genocide, war crimes, crimes against humanity, and ethnic cleansing. Furthermore, ICRtoP provides information about the spectrum of measures available within the norm's third pillar and expands on how these measures can be employed by actors at all levels.

Please see ICRtoP's previous publications in the "At a Glance" series, including

[**Clarifying the Third Pillar**](#)

, as well as

[**Preventive Diplomacy**](#)

and

[**Regional and International Justice**](#)

to learn more about the measures within the third pillar of RtoP and the capacity of actors to implement these tools.

Additional

"At a Glance"

publications will focus on the following topics, in order of publication:

- Monitoring, Early Warning and Response
 - Targeted Sanctions **Please see " [**At a Glance – Civilian and Military Capacity to Protect Populations**](#) "**