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Introduction to the International Criminal Court

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The International Criminal Court



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- “Crimes against international law are committed by men, not by abstract entities, and only by punishing individuals who commit such crimes can the provisions of international law be enforced.”
 - International Military Tribunal at Nuremberg (1946)

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International criminal justice

■ A very brief history

- First World War
 - A trial of the German Kaiser
- Second World War
 - Justice at Nuremberg and Tokyo
- Genocide Convention (1948), Geneva Conventions (1949)
- International Criminal Justice in the 1990s/2000s
 - *Ad hoc* Tribunals for Rwanda and the Former Yugoslavia
 - International Criminal Court
 - Special Court for Sierra Leone, Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia, Special Tribunal for Lebanon
- Convention on Crimes Against Humanity

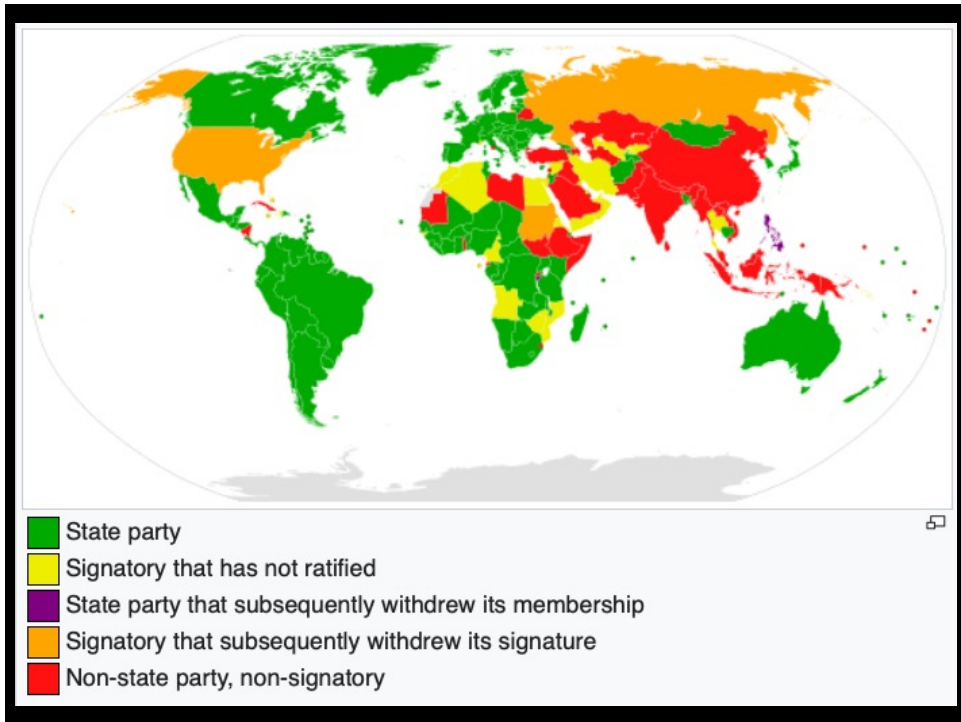


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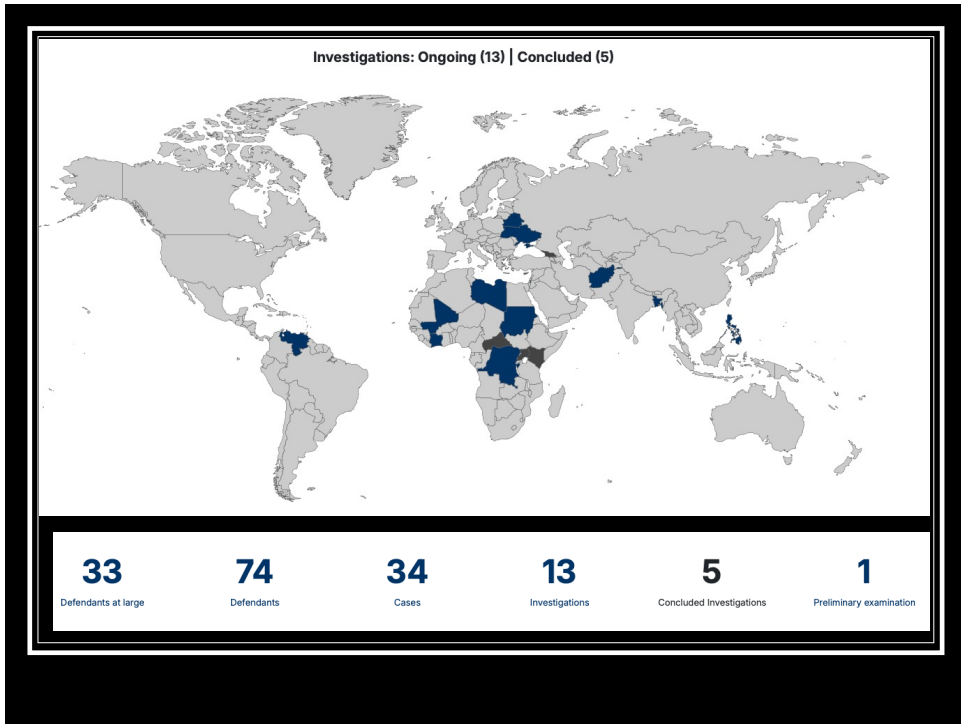
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Judges of the International Criminal Court




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Statement of ICC Prosecutor Karim A.A. Khan KC: Applications for arrest warrants in the situation in the State of Palestine



Netanyahu: ICC Arrest Warrants Against Israeli Leaders Would Be 'Antisemitic Hate Crime'

After reports that the International Criminal Court was considering issuing warrants against Israeli officials, the prime minister said that nothing 'will affect our determination to achieve all the goals of the war.' U.S. officials have said they would try to block the move if the ICC goes through with it

The Guardian
News partner of the year

Israeli spy chief 'threatened' ICC official over war crimes inquiry

Labour vows to clear NHS waiting lists in five years

Cancer changed everything for me!

Germany would 'arrest Netanyahu' if ICC issues warrant

The New Arab @TheNewArab - May 24
Germany stated it would arrest Benjamin Netanyahu should the ICC issue an arrest warrant for him, over his role in Israel's military onslaught in Gaza

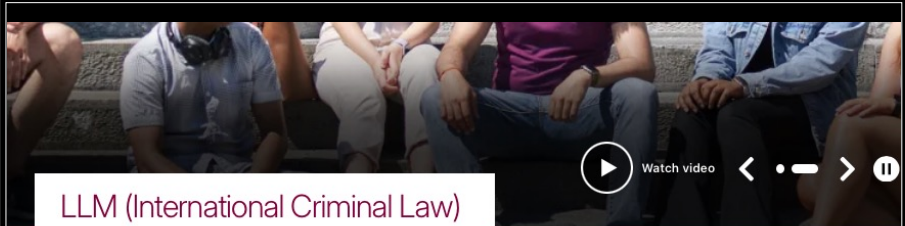
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The International Criminal Court

- "A permanent court is needed for permanent deterrence" and "to bring a greater sense of justice to innocent victims of massive crimes who seek to live in peace and human dignity"
- "I wish to highlight the compelling need for us to monitor and critique International Criminal Court practice".




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LLM (International Criminal Law)

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Course Information Testimonials Entry Requirements and Fees

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