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# Article 15(c) QD

## Serious and individual threat to a civilian's life or person by reason of indiscriminate violence in situations of international or internal armed conflict

Qualification directive
Article 15(c)

The elements which need to be established in order to apply Article 15(c) QD include:

| International or internal armed conflict | Civilian | Indisciminate violence | Serious and individual treat | (To) life or person | Nexus (by reason of indiscriminate violence) |
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It should, furthermore, be noted that the application of Article 15(c) QD is significantly dependant on the general situation in the country of origin. Therefore, assessing objective and up-to-date country-of-origin information is a crucial element in this regard.

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