

# **GV217 - Conflict Analysis**

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- Combatant socialisation is needed when recruitment is forced
- Shared experience creates bonds of loyalty and esteem = social cohesion

## **The 1948 Genocide Convention:**

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How does recruitment by different groups work? Are women joining voluntarily or are they actively recruited? The two imply different mechanisms!



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All clear? More questions?  
See you next week!