8. Individuals and Other Legal Subjects

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This chapter discusses the legal personality under international law of a broad range of legal subjects other than States and international organizations, particularly individuals, peoples, and national liberation movements, as well as insurgents and a few other suí generis entities (including transnational corporations and non-governmental organizations). While insurgents, like States and some of the suí generis entities (the Holy See, the Sovereign Order of Malta, or the International Committee of the Red Cross), constitute traditional subjects of international law, the other categories emerged in the aftermath of the Second World War. The chapter also tackles the issue of which international rules apply to all these diverse entities and to what extent they participate in international dealings.
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