

The practice of states: categories of the attribution of legality to a use of force

Legal:	<i>Consensus that a rule authorises the use of force</i>
Generally legal:	<i>General agreement that a rule authorises the use of force in certain circumstances</i>
Disputed:	<i>General disagreement as to whether a rule authorises the use of force</i>
Generally illegal:	<i>General agreement that a rule prohibits the use of force in certain circumstances</i>
Illegal:	<i>Consensus that a rule prohibits the use of force</i>