Descriptive Case Study Assignment (30% of grade)

Women and Conflict

Due: Proposal: 3/17/19 at 2pm, bring hard copy to class

Presentation: 4/14/19 at 2pm

Final Draft: 4/27/19 at 5pm

“A case study may be understood as the intensive study of a single case for the purpose of understanding a larger class of cases (a population)” (Gerring 2001, p. 6).

Please select a particular case (conflict or country) to examine. Evaluate if and how women engage in conflict for the case chosen. Please describe the case you have chosen and why in a one-page (not more than 300 words) proposal by March 17th at 2pm.

Please make sure that your case study answers the following questions. Your case study must be a minimum of 1,000 words, but may exceed 2,000 words, not including your references page(s). A minimum of 10 sources must be cited appropriately (APA, Harvard, Chicago), 7 of these must be scholarly. Make sure to include language, sources, and themes discussed in class in your case study.

1. What case (country or conflict) are you examining?
2. Why this case? How did you select it? Are other cases similar? Different?
3. What is the history of your case? What important events occurred that are crucial for examining and thus understanding the relationship between women and conflict in your case (local, domestic, and system level)? Are women serving in combat roles? Are they primarily viewed as victims? Why?
4. What is the political environment, social environment, and economic environment of the case you select? How does this impact the treatment of women in this case?
5. Can we make any generalizations based on your observations? Alternatively, could actors in your case benefit from examples set in other cases?