

**Ph.D. Comprehensive Exam International Relations, Fall 2017**

**International Security**

ANSWER ONE OF THREE QUESTIONS ONLY

- (1) What are the most important factors that determine whether or not, and to what extent, insurgent groups will commit violence against civilian populations? What prescriptions for the protection of civilians do you draw from your analyses. Cite relevant authors and studies.
- (2) To what extent have peacekeeping / peace enforcement measures had positive effects in reducing violent conflict? Develop your answer with reference to two or three conflict situations of the last two-plus decades. Cite relevant authors and studies.
- (3) Under what conditions are insurgent rebel groups likely to be “successful”? Compare and contrast groups involved in conflicts today to illustrate your arguments. Cite relevant authors and studies.