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Expertise:

Public international law, international humanitarian law, human rights, international criminal justice, the law governing use of force, and freedom of expression

Background:

David Kaye is a professor of law at the University of California, Irvine, and the former United Nations Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of the right to freedom of opinion and expression. He was the 2023-2024 Fulbright Distinguished Scholar in Public International Law at Lund University, Sweden, and serves as the U.S. Independent Expert to the European Commission for Democracy through Law (“Venice Commission”). He regularly lectures and has published widely in academic and non-specialist journals on issues related to human rights at domestic and international levels, the freedom of expression as a subject of human rights law, free speech online, global surveillance, and other related issues. His 2019 book, [*Speech Police: The Global Struggle to Govern the Internet*](#) (Columbia Global Reports), explores the ways in which companies, governments and activists struggle to define the rules for online expression.