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It is for the Victim State to evaluate if its rights have been injured. It is a unilateral evaluation that is not imposed on the offending State by itself, who may deny commission of the offence.

When a State commits an offence, the injured State will make a claim for the offending State to cease its conduct. The dispute is resolved through:

- Pacific settlement of disputes
- The free choice of means to settle the dispute

Means of dispute settlement

Judicial means: resorting to arbitration or to judicial bodies which will issue a binding judgement to settle the dispute.

Non-judicial means: good offices, mediation, inquiry and conciliation.

The only organ that may adopt coercive measures to ensure compliance with the international norms is the Security Council, which only assumes responsibility for the maintenance of international peace and security. If the dispute does not affect international peace and security, there is no international body with the authority to take measures in this regard.