The exploitation of economic leverage in conflict protraction:
modes and aims
The cases of South Ossetia and Abkhazia (1992-2008)

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B. Looking at the aims: to what end do relevant actors create and exploit economic leverage, if at all, in the context of post-ceasefire agreements protracted territorial conflicts?
- Boosting post-combat economies (or ‘winning the war’) 
- Furthering geo-strategic goals 
- Establishing and supporting political allegiances 
- And, indeed, for personal gains

C. Looking at the modes: How do relevant actors create and exploit economic leverage, if at all, in the context of post-ceasefire agreements protracted territorial conflicts?
- Using economic clout as a tool for advancing state interests 
- Private interests influencing public ones 
- An indirect relationship between economic opportunities and conflict protraction

D. Limitations and further research

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