

Acts of War, Forced Imagery

Forced pornography, sexual exploitation, sex slavery, and nonconsensual intimate image abuse should be recognized as **Acts of War** against civilians.

These systems of abuse are designed to destroy autonomy, dignity, livelihood, reputation, relationships, safety, and social standing through coercion, humiliation, intimidation, and terror. They function as crimes of domination, destabilization, physical and psychological warfare.

Historically, warfare has not only involved bombs, weapons, and territorial invasion. War has also included psychological operations, sexual violence, public humiliation, forced labor, propaganda, and the destruction of civilian morale. In the digital age, many of those same tactics have evolved into technologically amplified forms of coercion and exploitation.

Modern sexual exploitation campaigns often involve:

- coercion through fear and exposure
- organized humiliation
- trafficking and forced sexual exploitation
- blackmail and reputational destruction
- intimidation designed to silence victims
- economic and social sabotage
- coordinated harassment campaigns
- exploitation of women and vulnerable populations for power, profit, or control

These acts reflect the objectives of warfare itself:

- domination
- submission
- destabilization
- psychological destruction
- social control
- elimination of resistance

Public cases demonstrate how intimate image abuse can be weaponized to destroy careers, credibility, personal liberty, and public participation.

Sexual exploitation and forced pornography weaponize the human body itself as a battlefield. The objective is physical exploitation but also the destruction of identity, autonomy, community standing, and the ability to safely participate in society. For these reasons, forced pornography, sex slavery, trafficking, and organized sexual coercion constitute **Acts of War** carried out through psychological, sexual, social, and technological means against civilian populations.