

DEFENDING HUMANITY

When Force Is Justified and Why

George P. Fletcher
and
Jens David Ohlin

OXFORD
UNIVERSITY PRESS

CONTENTS

Introduction	xiii
1 Murder among Nations	3
2 How to Talk about Self-Defense	30
3 A Theory of Legitimate Defense	63
4 The Six Elements of Legitimate Defense	86
5 Excusing International Aggression	107
6 Humanitarian Intervention	129
7 Preemptive and Preventive Wars	155
8 The Collective Dimension of War	177
Conclusion	215
Notes	219
Index	259