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INTRODUCTION

1. ORIGINS OF THE CURRENT DEBATE

In the last few years, much has been written on the applicability of human rights treaties abroad and extensive case law has dealt with this and related issues.