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Dr. Ruth Gibson, PhD, is the founding Executive Director of the Stanford Geopolitical Human Impact Research Lab (Stanford Nenya). The lab examines how war, blockades, and sanctions affect human health, with particular attention to children. She is a visiting scholar at Stanford's Center for Innovation in Global Health (CIGH) and an affiliated scholar at the Center for International Security and Cooperation (CISAC). She is co-leading the Lancet Series on Foreign Policy and Global Health in an Era of Geopolitical Crisis with Professor Gary Darmstadt. Through the Consortium of Universities for Global Health (CUGH) and Stanford's CIGH, she convenes international panels on the health consequences of geopolitical crises. Before her academic career, Dr. Gibson spent a decade working in humanitarian and global health programs across eight countries on five continents, including active conflict zones. She is fluent in English and proficient in Mandarin Chinese (## ###), French, and Spanish. She holds a PhD from the University of British Columbia, postdoctoral training from Stanford University, and an Honors Bachelor of Science and Master of Science from the University of Toronto. Her research has been published in The Lancet and The Lancet Global Health. Her work and commentary have been featured in The New York Times, The New Yorker, and TIME. She is available to journalists and media outlets seeking expert analysis on war, peace, and human health.

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