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On this week's episode of the Thinking Global Podcast, Dr. Simon Polinder chats with Kieran (@kieranjomeara) on the concept of love, how we can use love as a lens to think about international relations, fear vs. love, love in the history of international thought and more. Dr. Polinder's article '*Through the Eyes of Love': Looking at International Politics Differently*' won the E-International Relations 2024 Articles Award.

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