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There is a need for timely intervention by the international community in situations of death and suffering. Amidst the tragedy of East Timor, so soon after Kosovo, attention has returned to dealing with a State unable or unwilling to prevent genocide and human rights violations. State sovereignty is being redefined with global considerations taking precedence over some traditional ideas associated with sovereignty. The evolution of individual rights is linked to the changes to sovereignty - the United Nations charter aims to enshrine the importance of individuals, not protect people who abuse human rights

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