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Military intervention for humanitarian aims appears to many as the oxymoron of this century. Some will focus on the inviolability of sovereignty as the core need for stability in the international system as now constituted. Others will recall the terrible price that was visitied on humanity by global nonchalance and pusillanimity in response to the rise of Hitler. This book is as fresh as today's headlines in reviewing the controversial political, legal and moral perspectives that are an indispensable precondition for rational and effective action in this troubled field.

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