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Applying the UN **responsibility-to-protect** doctrine too broadly to natural disasters could do more harm than good.

(...) The mix of recent cases of inter-group armed violence and unintended victims of natural disasters confirms the need for **R2P**, the risks of straying too widely from it and the difficulties of activating it even when warranted.

(...) Reflecting his humanitarian background, French Foreign Minister Bernard Kouchner suggested that the Security Council should invoke **R2P** [in cyclone-stricken Burma].

At first blush, this is a strange call. **R2P**