

Virginia Held on Terrorism

It seems reasonable, I think, that on the grounds of justice, it is better to **equalize rights violations in a transition** to bring an **end to rights violations** than it is to subject a given **group that has already suffered** extensive rights violations to **continued such violations**, if the degree of severity of the two violations is similar.

If a transition... involves violations of the rights to personal safety of the oppressing groups, why would this violation be less justifiable than the other? Fairness would seem to recommend a **sharing of the burden of rights violations**....