Practical and Conceptual Problems

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Topics Last Week

- My background
- Contents of the course
- Other courses
- Definitions
- Types of Actors
- Program Student Activities

TODAY WE 'LL CONTINUE

Definitions

To a large extent 4 common characteristics:

- Deterioration or complete collapse of both central government authority and (parts of) civil society.
- Episodic food insecurity, frequently deteriorating into mass starvation.
- Macro-economic collapse involving hyperinflation, massive unemployment, and net decreases in Gross National Product.
- Mass population movements of displaced people and refugees escaping conflict or searching for food.

Breakdown of Distinctions?

- State, Crime, Army, and Civilians
- Private and Public
- Natural vs man-made disasters
- Sovereignty of State (vs. Security of People)
- Security, Relief, Rehabilitation, and Development
- New distinctions: Political vs Humanitarian?

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 - **♦ INTER-ORGANIZATIONAL**
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- WHEN IS IT AN EMERGENCY?
 - ◆ CMR OF 1 DEATH PER 10,000 A DAY
 - ♦ MALNUTRITION > 10%
 - **♦ GENOCIDE**

IT IS AN EDUCATED GUESS

- SHOULD ONE HELP?
 - ◆ AM I MY BROTHER'S KEEPER?
 - HUMANITARIAN IMPULSE
 - HUMANITARIAN IMPERATIVE
 - **◆** "RIPENESS" OF CONFLICT
 - ◆ DIFFERENT TRADITIONS & POWER POSITIONS
- CONSEQUENCES OF HELP
 - ◆ TAKES AWAY DIGNITY (ESPECIALLY NON-RECIPROCAL HELP)
 - **◆ CREATES DEPENDENCY**
 - **♦ REIGNITES CONFLICT**

- DIFFERENCE INDIVIDUAL HELP & ORGANIZED AID
 - ◆ AID DIFFERS FROM SOCIETAL LEVEL TO SOCIETAL LEVEL
- IF ONE HELPS; WHAT IS SUFFICIENT HELP?
 - **♦ STOPGAP OR CONTAINMENT**
 - ◆ NEW BEGINNING FOR THE NEEDY, I.E. LINKING RELIEF AND DEVELOPMENT
 - ◆ REMAIN INDEPENDENT OR TAKE SIDES?

- WHAT IS THE LEGAL BASIS?
 - ◆ THE SHIFT FROM SOVEREIGNTY TO SECURITY OF THE PEOPLE IS INCOMPLETE
- WHO INTERVENES:
 - **♦ LEGAL ISSUES: USE OF FORCE**
 - ♦ WHO LEADS? SUPERPOWER, REGIONAL POWER, NGOs, UN, ICRC

- CONCLUSION:
 - ◆ CASCADING CONUNDRUMS & UNIQUE CASES
 - ◆ MULTIPLICATION OF ACTORS (ACTOR MIX)
 - ◆ MANY ISSUES TO ADDRESS (ISSUE MIX)
 - ◆ DIFFERENT LEVELS OF SOCIETY (LEVEL MIX)
 - ♦ BUT ALSO INCREASING
 INSTITUTIONALIZATION AND CODIFICATION
 OF HUMANITARIAN IDEALS

- DURING COLD WAR, MAINLY:
 - **♦ FIRST GENERATION PEACEKEEPING**
 - **◆ CONTINUUM IDEA**
 - BASED ON NATURAL DISASTERS (ONE MAJOR CAUSE)
 - → ONE-TIME EVENTS (SHORT TERM)
 - □ DIFFERENT SECURITY, DEVELOPMENT AND RELIEF ORGANIZATIONS
 - **FLIMITED SET OF ISSUES**
 - POLITICAL AND HUMANITARIAN ACTORS WERE THUS SEPARATED

- HOWEVER, CHARACTERISTICS OF CONFLICT CHANGED:
 - ◆ EXPLOSION OF CONFLICTS, SOMETIMES REGIONAL
 - **♦ INTRASTATE**
 - **◆ CIVILIANS AS TARGET**
 - ◆ RAGTAG ARMIES (MILITIAS, WARRING FACTIONS, CIVILIANS, etc.)
 - **♦ WEAK STATE WITH LOW LEGITIMACY**
- DISILLUSIONS WITH PEACEKEEPING
- INEFFECTIVENESS OF HUMANITARIAN AID

- FROM FIRST GENERATION TO SECOND GENERATION PEACEKEEPING (REBUILDING WITH A SECURITY COMPONENT)
 - **◆ THREE TRANSITIONS**
 - **SECURITY**

 - **☞**SOCIO-ECONOMIC

MANY ISSUES COMPETE FOR ATTENTION!

- MULTIDIMENSIONAL OPERATIONS:
 - **♦** RELIEF
 - ◆ DEMILITARIZATION
 - **◆ POLITICAL (RE)CONSTRUCTION**
 - ◆ SOCIAL (RE)INTEGRATION & (RE)CONCILIATION
 - ◆ ECONOMIC (RE)BUILDING
 NO STATUS QUO EX ANTE, NO CONTINUUM
- DIFFERENT MIXES
- ILL-PREPARED, REFLECT OLD INSTITUTIONAL SET-UP (SECURITY COUNCIL, DEV. ORGs, etc.)
- STILL EVOLVING (FADING DISTINCTIONS)

DECLINING RESOURCES

- DECLINE IN
 - ◆ ODA
 - **♦ MULTILATERAL**
 - **♦**UN
- LESSER DECLINE NGOs, RELIEF & BRETTON WOODS INSTITUTIONS
- DISPARITIES IN ALLOCATION
- YET, ALSO LACK OF ABSORPTIVE CAPACITY QUESTIONS:
- IS CUSTOM TAILORED AID POSSIBLE?
- OR DO DONORS JUST WANT CONTAINMENT?

MANAGEMENT OF INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

- COMMON THEMES:
 - ◆ NOT ENOUGH EMPIRICAL MATERIAL ON MANAGEMENT OF INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS
 - ♦ WE CAN LEARN A WHOLE LOT FROM THEIR MANAGEMENT: COMPLEX ENDS & MEANS RELATIONSHIP
 - ◆ INTERESTING INTERACTION WITH OTHER DISCIPLINES AND MANAGEMENT AREAS

MANAGEMENT OF INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

- NEED FOR INTER-ORGANIZATIONAL COOPERATION, BUT
 - **♦ FUNDRAISING COMPETITION**
 - ◆ DIFFERENT PROCEDURES, PROMOTION POLICIES, ETC.
 - ♦ WIDE VARIETY OF ORGANIZATIONS

MANAGEMENT OF INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

- INTRA-ORGANIZATIONAL ISSUES
 - **◆ DUAL ACCOUNTABILITY**
 - ◆ DECENTRALIZATION
 - ◆ LOCAL PARTICIPATION? WHO CONTROLS? WHOSE EFFECTIVENESS?

ALTERNATIVES

- PRODERE
- PROGRESS
- FIDHEG / PDHSL
- DECOPAZ

11 YEARS OF REBUILDING WITH UN SYSTEM

SIX COUNTRIES,

UN ORGS, NGOS, STATE INSTITUTIONS,

\$115 MILLION + FOLLOW-UP

RECENT RESEARCH

- MORE POSITIVE ABOUT THE POSSIBILITIES FOR REBUILDING (IN GUATEMALA)
- LINKING RELIEF,
 REHABILITATION AND
 DEVELOPMENT
- JOINT STRATEGY & TOOLS
- SUBSTANTIVE INVESTMENT & LOCAL PARTICIPATION

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