

values. But there is still a long and difficult road ahead before an adequate base of world-order values and practices is achieved. Even if immediate and dramatic remedial steps helped to rectify imbalances of opportunity and responsibility among states and people, it would take many years to see the solution of the most serious problems and more substantial equity of outcomes: an evolutionary path is inescapable. It is difficult to conceive of how an international revolutionary overthrow of the existing arrangements of order, or such abstract, interventionist programmes as the New International Economic Order schemes of the 1970s, could either be achieved or would improve the prospect if it were. In moving toward accepted and acceptable standards of *world order*, with a sense of real urgency, it will still be critical to maintain a framework of accepted Grotian rules for predictable and civil *inter-state* relations, unless the North-South world is to revert to Hobbesian norms in an era of nuclear and other mass-destruction weaponry.