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The Potential for Civilian-Based Deterrence and Defense

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The major unsolved political problems of our time – dictatorship, genocide, war, social oppression, and popular powerlessness – may require us to rethink politics in order to develop fresh strategies and programs for their resolution. Dr. Sharp believes one such strategy is that of a "civilian-based defense" using noncooperation and defiance by a trained population of a society to deter and defeat internal takeovers and invasions. Dr. Sharp is the author of *The Politics of Nonviolent Action*, a classic study of nonviolent struggle.



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