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The policy debate on what to do about the crimes against humanity committed in Myanmar is fraught with obstacles and pitfalls. Canada's special envoy for Myanmar, Bob Rae, helped build support for the genocide prosecution filed by Gambia with the International Criminal Court (ICC) against the Myanmar government for its systematic atrocity crimes which forced the expulsion of over 700,000 Rohingya Muslims from Myanmar. The goal of the Canadian government is clear: impunity for those who commit the most egregious crimes against humanity should not be tolerated and perpetrators should be held to account so that justice for the victims and survivors is served. I argue that the international community has other tools in its arsenal beside judicial remedies to deal with the perpetrators of crimes against humanity. Apart from the tools available in Chapter Six of the UN Charter, perhaps a peace and reconciliation process ought to be tried as a means of building a peace that is truly sustainable. But there can be no true justice in Myanmar until the perpetrators of crimes against humanity are held to account.



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Holding the Perpetrators of Atrocity Crimes to Account in Myanmar

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