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stronger policies to repel potential threats, they end up subverting access to human rights, altering laws, and extending power beyond

their own borders.