

# Global lies?

A partial history of United Nations goals, with analysis of some large-scale social science.

Claims by world leaders, academics and others on global goals, progress and policies compared to the original UN resolutions, other documents and meanings of words



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