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Of Green Frequent Flyers and Wealthy Socialists: A Defence of Apparent Hypocrisy

I argue that being committed to a societal goal does not require one to perform an individual action that is causally inefficacious (or morally negligible) in the absence of relevant institutions (i.e., policies or social norms) that coordinate the performance of the action. While commitment does not generate the requirement to perform causally inefficacious actions in the absence of coordination, it does generate the requirement to do so when such coordination is in place. This article aims to i) defend this apparent inconsistency and ii) argue against the view that integrity or instrumental rationality requires acting on one's commitments or values in the case of collective action problems (without explicit coordination).