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Science, Social Policy, Economics: A Perfect Ethical Dilemma

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Science seeks to manage knowledge. Social policy seeks to maximize the common good, but is invariably tempered by political considerations. Scientific discovery has, in many cases, great economic potential. Science, social policy and economics are not always congruent but often are in conflict. Can society develop guidelines on how to proceed and solve conflict based on ethically sound principles?

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