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*The Insider* 2005 ala bashir former dean of medicine at baghdad university and iraq s most highly decorated doctor was saddam s personal physician from 1983 until spring 2003 he rose to prominence as a plastic surgeon during the iran iraq war performing over 22 000 operations on thousands of iraqi soldiers he is also iraq s most award laden artist saddam felt a particular affinity for bashir s pictures sculptures and monuments before long he welcomed bashir into his inner circle confiding in him in times of war and peace from his vantage point as a saddam favourite ala bashir observed and tracked political events in baghdad he also witnessed and recorded in detail the hidden life of saddam s regime and family the apprehension and extravagance the partying and killings the intrigues and power struggles his is a shocking revelation of a regime s total disregard for human life and dignity bashir protected his writings and when he left iraq in july 2003 he brought them out too saddam s confidante is his memoir based on these hidden documents and written with his close friend lars sigurd sunnanå one of norway s leading journalists

*Saddam Hussein* 2006-10 during the 2003 war that ended saddam hussein s regime coalition forces captured thousands of hours of secret recordings of meetings phone calls and conferences originally prepared by the institute for defense analyses for the office of the undersecretary of defense for policy this study presents annotated transcripts of iraqi audio recordings of meetings between saddam hussein and his inner circle the saddam tapes along with the much larger digital collection of captured records at the national defense university s conflict records research center will provide researchers with important insights into the inner workings of the regime and it is hoped the nature of authoritarian regimes more generally the collection has implications for a range of historical questions how did saddam react to the pressures of his wars how did he manage the machiavellian world he created how did he react to the signals and actions of the international community on matters of war and peace was there a difference between the public and the private saddam on critical matters of state a close examination of this material in the context of events and other available evidence will address these and other questions

*The Saddam Tapes* 2011-09-26 this volume explores in close detail the events and factors leading up to the second gulf war in 2003 and considers whether war with iraq was inevitable nick ritchie and paul rogers argue that after the election of george w bush conflict between iraq and the united states was probable and that after 9 11 it became virtually inevitable they begin by setting the story of iraq bush and 9 11 within the broader context of the importance of the persian gulf to enduring us national security interests and go on to examine the intense politicking that surrounded the conflict and still reverberates today the authors examine us policy towards iraq at the end of the clinton administration the opposition in congress and washington s conservative think tanks to clinton s strategy of containment and the evolution of iraq policy

during the first eight months of the bush presidency and the growing pressure for regime change they also explore the immediate focus on iraq after the attacks of september 11 that marked a watershed in us national security policy and chart the construction of the case against iraq through 2002 and the administration s determination to end saddam hussein s regime at all costs the political road to war with iraq will be of great interest to all students and scholars of us foreign policy war and peace studies and international relations

**Middle East Overview and U.S. Assistance to the Palestinians** 1995 this book argues that current policy even if invigorated by more aggressive military efforts will not bring the united states victory over saddam and his regime

**The Political Road to War with Iraq** 2006-09-27 this study was inspired by post world war ii efforts of u s army historians and intelligence officers to gather and preserve insights and perspectives of the german general staff this is the second volume in a series of studies sponsored by the national intelligence council designed to cast light on issues involving saddam s iraq by interviewing former iraqi officials the first volume saddam s war an iraqi military perspective of the iran iraq war contained interviews with lieutenant general ra ad hamdani a former iraqi republican guard corps commander this second volume includes an additional interview with hamdani along with four additional senior officers who discuss issues including iraqi naval operations airpower military intelligence and capability development

**Tyranny's Ally** 1999 even today most americans can not understand just why the fighting continues in iraq whether our nation should be involved there now and how we could change our tactics to help establish a lasting peace in the face of what many fear will become a full fledged civil war in the book at hand victoria fontan a professor of peace and conflict studies who lived worked and researched in iraq shares pointed insights into the emotions of iraq s people and specifically how democratization has in that country come to be associated with humiliation including interviews with common people in iraq this work makes clear how laudable intentions do not always bring the desired result when it comes to international conflict and cross cultural psychology for example fontan explains one might consider the comment of a young shiite the greatest humiliation of all was to see foreigners topple saddam not because we loved him but because we could not do it ourselves this gripping text is focused on a new and growing area of human psychology humiliation studies in it this leader at the united nations mandated university for peace spotlights aspects of u s actions and iraqi perceptions that have fueled ongoing conflict and left some increasingly outspoken residents of the u s and the rest of the world demanding that foreign forces be withdrawn and the iraqis left to their own accord the work examines issues including how and when the iraqis began to see the united states as not a liberator but as an

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occupier how both abu ghraib and our ensuing handling of the scandal heightened iraqi humiliation and fighting how we ve fueled the ethno religious unrest that still rages today and how the post saddam elections paved the way for civil war fontan also describes the role of women in iraq who may ultimately be an important key to peace and explains her views on the new role the u s may play to better help establish peace

Saddam's Generals: Perspectives of the Iran-Iraq War 2013-05-23 in the tradition of in cold blood and the executioner s song this haunting insightful and surprisingly intimate portrait of saddam hussein provides a brief but powerful meditation on the meaning of evil and power usa today the captivating military times the prisoner in his palace invites us to take a journey with twelve young american soldiers in the summer of 2006 shortly after being deployed to iraq they learn their assignment guarding saddam hussein in the months before his execution living alongside and caring for their high value detainee and regularly transporting him to his raucous trial many of the men begin questioning some of their most basic assumptions about the judicial process saddam s character and the morality of modern war although the young soldiers increasingly intimate conversations with the once feared dictator never lead them to doubt his responsibility for unspeakable crimes the men do discover surprising new layers to his psyche that run counter to the media s portrayal of him woven from firsthand accounts provided by many of the american guards government officials interrogators scholars spies lawyers family members and victims the prisoner in his palace shows two saddams coexisting in one person the defiant tyrant who uses torture and murder as tools and a shrewd but contemplative prisoner who exhibits surprising affection dignity and courage in the face of looming death in this thought provoking narrative saddam known as the man without a conscience gets many of those around him to examine theirs a singular study exhibiting both military duty and human compassion kirkus reviews the prisoner in his palace grants us a behind the scenes look at history that s nearly impossible to put down a mesmerizing glimpse into the final moments of a brutal tyrant s life bookpage

Voices from Post-Saddam Iraq 2008-12-30 you sir are an idiot compiles journalist richard edward larsen s short columns on america s recent big events larsen s columns arise from the belief that reasonable debate must be restored to understand and to resolve the issues polarizing too much of public debate in the united states no topic escapes larsen s observations on iraq war justification no this is not a failure of the intelligence agencies it is a failure of this administration to use the intelligence intelligently on war images we should never avert our eyes from the violence we visit upon ourselves in the name of hatred or politics or religion on self improvement i m not sure when the tradition of new year s resolutions began but i wouldn t be surprised if it started when a female neanderthal looked at her mate one new year s eve and

said you need to quit slouching on the future peace is not merely a process it is a commitment to the future of mankind larsen s columns urge us to question what we are told to look beyond the superficial and to exercise always our basic right to look someone in the eye and say you sir are an idiot

*The Prisoner in His Palace* 2017-06-06 contains public messages and statements of the president of the united states released by the white house from january 1 to june 30 2002

**You, Sir, Are an Idiot** 2005-04 rooted in the creative success of over 30 years of supermarket tabloid publishing the weekly world news has been the world s only reliable news source since 1979 the online hub weeklyworldnews.com is a leading entertainment news site

*How Saddam Hussein Abused the United Nations Oil-for-Food Program* 2005 containing the public messages speeches and statements of the president 1956 1992

*Public Papers of the Presidents of the United States George W. Bush 2002* 2005-06 locate nations on the j curve left for authoritarian right for democratic then figure out how to force those on the left to open their societies rather than encouraging them to shut them tighter by further isolating them the west s isolation of kim jong il s north korea gives him the cover he needs to extend his brutal regime the mistake the u s made for a long time with saddam hussein and castro in saudi arabia western governments should encourage manageable change before the country breaks apart they should help strengthen china s economy so it can further liberalize they must encourage israel to decide what kind of country it will be filled with imaginative and surprising examples of how to correct outworn political ideas the j curve points the way for western governments to lead the way to a realistic political balance and a healthier economic future

Weekly World News 2004-01-04 why is the problem of terrorism and the emergence of more extreme and more brutal terrorist groups one that cannot be solved even after decades of trying the world has up to now failed to stop al qaeda terrorist attacks and also failed to stop the emergence of more extreme and more brutal terrorist groups than al qaeda such as isis isil as well as newer lone wolf terrorists current strategies of counterterrorism have many shortcomings that allow terrorists to continue their operations a new counterterrorism strategy why the world failed to stop al qaeda and isis isil and how to defeat terrorists identifies the shortcomings of present approaches and presents a comprehensive and sustainable strategy to combat terrorism author ambassador t hamid al bayati an iraqi politician offers a unique insider s perspective about the war on terrorism as a leader of the opposition against the terrorist regime of saddam hussein he was arrested and tortured until he fled iraq from the uk he continued involvement in unfolding political events until returning to iraq and assuming high political appointments these special insights are interwoven with

accounts of detailed interactions and policies that provide the background for his explanation of the failures of counterterrorism strategies to date and lessons learned from those mistakes al bayati spotlights the problems of terrorist cells lone wolves and foreign fighters developing in all parts of the world where members work from safe havens to plan attacks acquire weapons and gain fighting experience his proposed strategy further emphasizes issues neglected in current counterterrorism strategies such as undermining the ideology of terrorists interrupting their use of the internet to promote evil understanding the motivations and psychology of terrorists deterring youth from joining isis creating effective media campaigns against terrorism and shutting off the flow of funding that currently buoys the financial resources of terrorist organizations

Public Papers of the Presidents of the United States 2010 samuel helfont draws on extensive research with ba thist archives to investigate the roots of the religious insurgencies that erupted in iraq following the american led invasion in 2003 in looking at saddam hussein s policies in the 1990s many have interpreted his support for state sponsored religion as evidence of a dramatic shift away from arab nationalism toward political islam while islam did play a greater role in the regime s symbols and saddam s statements in the 1990s than it had in earlier decades the regime s internal documents challenge this theory the faith campaign saddam launched during this period was the culmination of a plan to use religion for political ends begun upon his assumption of the iraqi presidency in 1979 at this time saddam began constructing the institutional capacity to control and monitor iraqi religious institutions the resulting authoritarian structures allowed him to employ islamic symbols and rhetoric in public policy but in a controlled manner saddam ultimately promoted a ba thist interpretation of religion that subordinated it to arab nationalism rather than depicting it as an independent or primary political identity the point of this examination of iraqi history other than to correct the current understanding of saddam hussein s political use of religion throughout his presidency is to examine how saddam s controlled use of religion was dismantled during the us iraq war and consequently set free extremists that were suppressed under his regime when the american led invasion destroyed the regime s authoritarian structures it unwittingly unhinged the forces that these structures were designed to contain creating an atmosphere infused with religion but lacking the checks provided by the former regime groups such as the sadrists al qaida and eventually the islamic state emerged out of this context to unleash the insurgencies that have plagued post 2003 iraq

**George W. Bush: bk. 2. July 1 to December 31, 2002 2005** why do states often refuse to yield to military threats from a more powerful actor such as the united states why do they frequently prefer war to compliance international relations scholars generally employ the rational choice logic of consequences or the constructivist logic of

appropriateness to explain this puzzling behavior max weber however suggested a third logic of choice in his magnum opus economy and society human decision making can also be motivated by emotions drawing on weber and more recent scholarship in sociology and psychology robin markwica introduces the logic of affect or emotional choice theory into the field of international relations the logic of affect posits that actors behavior is shaped by the dynamic interplay among their norms identities and five key emotions fear anger hope pride and humiliation markwica puts forward a series of propositions that specify the affective conditions under which leaders are likely to accept or reject a coercer s demands to infer emotions and to examine their influence on decision making he develops a methodological strategy combining sentiment analysis and an interpretive form of process tracing he then applies the logic of affect to nikita khrushchev s behavior during the cuban missile crisis in 1962 and saddam hussein s decision making in the gulf conflict in 1990 1 offering a novel explanation for why u s coercive diplomacy succeeded in one case but not in the other

**The J Curve** 2006-09-15 this third edition of historical dictionary of iraq contains a chronology an introduction appendixes and an extensive bibliography the dictionary section has over 1 000 cross referenced entries on important personalities politics economy foreign relations religion and culture

**A New Counterterrorism Strategy** 2017-09-21 the encyclopedia of military science provides a comprehensive ready reference on the organization traditions training purpose and functions of today s military entries in this four volume work include coverage of the duties responsibilities and authority of military personnel and an understanding of strategies and tactics of the modern military and how they interface with political social legal economic and technological factors a large component is devoted to issues of leadership group dynamics motivation problem solving and decision making in the military context finally this work also covers recent american military history since the end of the cold war with a special emphasis on peacekeeping and peacemaking operations the first persian gulf war the events surrounding 9 11 and the wars in afghanistan and iraq and how the military has been changing in relation to these events

**Compulsion in Religion** 2018-03-21 following the humanitarian horrors of the 1990s the international community began to seek consensus on a new norm to help address the tension between upholding the sovereign right of states to administer their own internal affairs and the pressing need for civilian populations to be protected from their own government in certain situations the result was the responsibility to protect initiative from the un accepted as an emerging norm and based on existing legal structures although not itself necessarily accepted as law this volume looks not only at the humanitarian inspired interventions of the past 15 years such as those that took place under the force for good banner of the uk government under new labour but also looks at what this has meant for the people actually involved in doing them what

responsibilities do states have towards their own soldiers when sending them to protect other people should that responsibility extend to moral and psychological protection as well as physical protection and if so how far does the duty go when considering the protection of one's own citizens who have deliberately placed themselves in harm's way such as journalists who have chosen to leave the safety of a protected area what happens when institutions are faced with the choice of protecting their people or their reputation what does it feel like for the inhabitants of a state who become protected by the international community

**Requesting the President and Directing the Secretary of State to Transmit to the House All Information Relating to Communication with the U.K. Between 1/1/02 and 10/16/02 Relating to the Policy of the U.S. with Respect to Iraq; Requesting the President and Directing the Secretary of Defense to Transmit to the House All Documents Relating to Communication with the U.K. Relating to the Policy of the U.S. with Respect to Iraq; and Directing the Secretary of State to Transmit to the House**

**Documents Relating to the Disclosure of the Identity and Employment of Ms. Valerie Plame 2006** it is a fact an unfortunate fact that economic relations between the west and the arab and other islamic countries could for many years be described accurately in just three words oil for arms or alternatively arms for oil this has a long history going back to the first world war when the ottoman empire was broken up between the british and french empires and client regimes were established in the newly created states the second world war brought in the american empire but the main purpose of all these empires was to control the rich oil reserves in the region arms were supplied as necessary to maintain the client regimes in power this became essential if oil was to remain cheap

*Weekly Compilation of Presidential Documents 2006* the literary equivalent of chewing broken glass volume one contains an exclusive collection of the very best of the news satire website idiotsyncrasy.com's front pages by very best what i mean is all of the front pages are included regardless of quality and by exclusive i mean that only a select few billion have the skill and money to purchase this book oh and by front pages i'm referring to the entire contents of the website not a specific portion visit nonsequiturs.com for more information

**Emotional Choices 2018** a sweeping and dramatic history of the last half century of conflict in the middle east from an award winning journalist who has covered the region for over forty years the great war for civilisation unflinchingly chronicles the tragedy of the region from the algerian civil war to the iranian revolution from the american hostage crisis in beirut to the iran iraq war from the 1991 gulf war to the american invasion of iraq in 2003 a book of searing drama as well as lucid incisive analysis the great war for civilisation is a work of major importance for today's world



**Historical Dictionary of Iraq** 2019-06-15 this work addresses the main strategic issues in today's Persian Gulf, a region that could easily produce a crisis that would encourage international political and economic involvement. Topics discussed include strategic balances, modernization, internal stability, and weapons of mass destruction.

**Encyclopedia of Military Science** 2013-07-24 warfare is the most dangerous threat faced by modern humanity. It is also one of the key influences that has shaped the politics, economics, and society of the modern period. But what do we mean by modern war? What causes modern wars to begin? Why do people fight in them? Why do they end? And what have they achieved in this accessible and compelling very short introduction? Richard English explores the assumptions we make about modern warfare and considers them against the backdrop of their historical reality, drawing on the wide literature available, including direct accounts of the experience of war. English provides an authoritative account of modern war: its origins, evolution, dynamics, and current trends.

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**Responsibilities to Protect** 2015-03-27 For 2500 years the world has witnessed numerous wars, conflicts, and battles, each with its unique story, causes, and consequences. Among the most significant conflicts in history are those that pitted the East against the West, with battles that shook the very foundations of civilizations and reshaped the world's political, social, and economic landscape. The East and West have a long and complicated history of interactions, with cultural, political, and economic exchanges since ancient times. However, these interactions were not always peaceful, and the two regions often found themselves at odds, competing for power and influence over each other. From the battles between the Greeks and Persians to the Crusades, from the conquests of Alexander the Great to the conflicts between the Ottoman Empire and the European powers, the East and West have engaged in numerous wars and battles that have left a lasting impact on history. However, one conflict stands out as the most decisive and consequential of them all: the war between the East and West in the 20th century. The 20th century was a time of unprecedented change and upheaval, with the world witnessing two devastating world wars, empires rising and falling, and the emergence of new superpowers. At the heart of many of these events was the struggle between the East and West, as two ideological and political systems clashed in a battle for dominance. The war between the East and West was not a single battle but a series of confrontations over several decades. It began in the aftermath of World War II, as the Soviet Union and the United States emerged as the dominant powers in the world. The two nations had vastly different political and economic systems, with the Soviet Union advocating for communism and the United States championing capitalism.

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and democracy the conflict between the two nations was driven by a deep seated ideological divide with each side viewing the other as threatening its way of life the soviet union sought to spread communism worldwide while the united states sought to contain its spread and promote democracy and capitalism the war between the east and west played out on multiple fronts including military political economic and cultural arenas it led to proxy wars in vietnam korea and afghanistan and intense political and economic competition in europe africa and latin america the conflict also profoundly impacted the global balance of power shaping the world we live in today the war between the east and west was marked by intense tension and confrontation as well as periods of détente and cooperation it saw the development of new military technologies and strategies including the arms race and nuclear deterrence it also introduced new diplomatic and economic institutions like the international monetary fund the world bank and the united nations despite the high stakes and enormous consequences the war between the east and west is often overlooked or dismissed as a relic of the past however its legacy can still be felt today as the world grapples with political economic and ideological conflict issues the east west battle is a cautionary tale warning us of the perils of ideological extremism political division and armed conflict this book will explore the war between the east and west delving into the causes events and consequences of this historic conflict from the leaders of the united states and the soviet union to the soldiers and civilians caught up in the conflict we will examine the key players we will analyze the strategies and tactics employed by both sides from the development of new military technologies to the use of propaganda and diplomacy we will consider the impact of the war on the world today as we seek to understand the lessons of this decisive conflict between the east and west throughout the book we will draw on various sources from historical documents and government archives to personal memoirs and oral histories we will provide a balanced and nuanced perspective on the war seeking to understand both sides complex motivations and actions our goal is not simply to provide a blow by blow account of the conflict but to offer a deeper understanding of its significance and legacy we will look at how the war changed the world s political and economic institutions from the advent of the united states as a global superpower through the collapse of the soviet union and the end of the cold war we will explore how the war shaped popular culture from films and novels to music and art we will consider the ongoing debates and controversies surrounding the war including questions of responsibility accountability and justice ultimately this book is an invitation to explore one of the most consequential conflicts in history a war that shaped the world we live in today we hope it will inspire readers to think critically about the complex issues and challenges facing our world engage in meaningful dialogue and debate about how we can build a more peaceful and just future

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*Arms for Oil 2005* saddam hussein ruled iraq as a dictator for nearly a quarter century before the fall of his regime in 2003 using the ba th party as his organ of meta control he built a broad base of support throughout iraqi state and society why did millions participate in his government parrot his propaganda and otherwise support his regime when doing so often required betraying their families communities and beliefs why did the husseini ba thist system prove so durable through uprisings two wars and united nations sanctions drawing from a wealth of documents discovered at the ba th party s central headquarters in baghdad following the us led invasion in 2003 the ba thification of iraq analyzes how hussein and the party inculcated loyalty in the population through a grand strategy of ba thification faust argues that hussein mixed classic totalitarian means with distinctly iraqi methods to transform state social and cultural institutions into ba thist entities and the public and private choices iraqis made into tests of their political loyalty focusing not only on ways in which iraqis obeyed but also how they resisted and using comparative examples from hitler s germany and stalin s russia the ba thification of iraq explores fundamental questions about the roles that ideology and culture institutions and administrative practices and rewards and punishments play in any political system

*The Literary Equivalent of Chewing Broken Glass, Volume One 2006-03* the west asian states of afghanistan pakistan iraq and iran have over the last few decades represented an arc of crisis characterised by fractured and dysfunctional political elites fraught economic policies and ideological struggles between the forces of authoritarianism and democratisation neo fundamentalism and pluralism they embody a mosaic of ethnicities amin saikal a distinguished afghan born scholar of international affairs provides a sweeping new understanding of the complex contemporary political and social instability encompassing the region saikal takes the reader on a journey throughout the history and current affairs of the four countries highlighting how these states have been repeatedly invaded by major powers such as tsarist and soviet russia great britain and the united states with each seeking often in competition with one another to redirect the domestic and foreign policy objectives and priorities of this region in accordance with their individual geopolitical and ideological preferences the region finds itself today in a state of crisis critically comparing democratisation and counter insurgency efforts in afghanistan iraq and pakistan and examining both recent western intervention and the history of foreign influence in the region this book looks at how us entanglement has affected pakistani and iranian domestic politics and foreign affairs how has this influenced the success or failure of the occupation in afghanistan and iraq what solutions can be taken to ensure regional security despite the critical importance of historical legacies in understanding present day afghanistan pakistan iraq and iran the past has often been overlooked or misunderstood by outsiders with frequently serious consequences an improved

understanding of the region among foreign policymakers is imperative to enhancing prospects for stability and mutually beneficial international relations bearing this in mind zone of crisis offers an informed and balanced overview on a troubled region this book will fascinate general readers and prove essential reading for specialists

The Great War for Civilisation 2007-12-18 introduction the corporation as an atrocity contributor the corporation as a subject of international law modes of criminal liability under international law case studies corporate complicity in genocide prosecuting corporations for genocide the domestic vs the international path arguments against prosecuting corporations for genocide conclusion

**Crises in the Contemporary Persian Gulf** 2013-10-08 the war on terror has been raging for many years now and subsequently there is a growing body of literature examining the development motivation and effects of this us led aggression virtually absent from these accounts is an examination of the central role that gender race class and sexuality play in the war on terror this lack of attention reflects a continued resistance by analysts to acknowledge and engage identity related social issues as central elements within global politics as this conflict spreads and deepens it is more important than ever to examine how diverse international actors are using the war on terror as an opportunity to reinforce existing gendered raced classed and sexualized inter national relations this book examines the official war stories being told to the international community about why and against whom the war on terror is being waged the book will benefit students scholars and practitioners in the areas of international relations women s studies and cultural studies

*Modern War: A Very Short Introduction* 2013-07-25 faced with the collapse of the american dream at home and the decline of their global empire abroad american liberals have dumped the 1960s era radicalism of their youth and become complicit in a complex game of bait and switch selling the world a vision of liberal democracy that is in reality a failed system on the verge of social and economic collapse in the tradition of tom wolfe and hunter s thompson stephen marshall a sundance award winning director and co founder of guerrilla news network hits the road and travels from the front lines of the iraq war through the wasteland of the former communist eastern bloc into a coke dusted sex party of britain s intellectual elite and into the minds of america s most influential liberal figures marshall finds america s most powerful liberals all part of the same baby boomer generation that has dominated us political life since their voices broke in the 1960s pushing a new form of liberal interventionism that threatens to use force to bring political freedom to oppressed people but is the democracy they are exporting to the world really what they say it is or have liberals buckled under the pressure of america s declining fortunes and taken on the role of good cop to the conservatives bad featuring interviews with christopher hitchens gore vidal

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david horowitz lewis lapham john avlon the economist s john micklethwait guardian editor in chief alan rusbridger and best selling authors thomas friedman paul berman and john perkins

**HISTORY OF THE DECISIVE WAR BETWEEN EAST AND WEST** 2024-02-16 seventeen year old sikander dreams of studying and living in america but in a blind rage after a family quarrel he leaves his peshawar pakistan home encountering mujahideen warriors he joins them in their fight against the occupying soviets in neighboring afghanistan american assistance is stepped up with advanced weapons like the stinger missile and the mujahideen begin prevailing against the soviets after just two years following sikander s arrival a soviet withdrawal begins and sikander returns as a war wise hero settling down to build a normal life in pakistan discovering romance sikander becomes a happily married successful entrepreneur in pakistan when he finds his life abruptly thrown into turmoil as he s caught up in aftermath of 9 11 he must draw on the lessons from his mujahideen past as he takes on a perilous journey reaching as far as america changing his life forever publisher

**Corruption in the United Nations Oil-for-Food Program** 2006 the terrorist attacks of 9 11 and bush s belligerent response fractured the american left partly by putting pressure on little noticed fissures that had appeared a decade earlier in a masterful survey of the post 9 11 landscape renowned scholar michael bérubé revisits and reinterprets the major intellectual debates and key players of the last two decades covering the terrain of left debates in the united states over foreign policy from the balkans to 9 11 to iraq and over domestic policy from the culture wars of the 1990s to the question of what if anything is the matter with kansas the left at war brings the history of cultural studies to bear on the present crisis a history now trivialized to the point at which few left intellectuals have any sense that merely cultural studies could have something substantial to offer to the world of international relations debates over sovereignty and humanitarian intervention matters of war and peace the surprising results of bérubé s arguments reveal an american left that is overly fond of a form of countercultural politics in which popular success is understood as a sign of political failure and political marginality is understood as a sign of moral virtue the left at war insists that in contrast to american countercultural traditions the geopolitical history of cultural studies has much to teach us about internationalism for in order to think globally we need to think culturally and in order to understand cultural conflict we need to think globally at a time when america finds itself at a critical crossroads the left at war is an indispensable guide to the divisions that have created a left at war with itself

**The Ba'thification of Iraq** 2015-11-15 in this unprecedented account of the intensive air and ground operations in iraq two of america s most distinguished military historians bring clarity and depth to the first major war of the new millennium reaching beyond the blaring headlines embedded videophone reports and daily centcom

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briefings williamson murray and robert scales analyze events in light of past military experiences present battleground realities and future expectations the iraq war puts the recent conflict into context drawing on their extensive military expertise the authors assess the opposing aims of the coalition forces and the iraqi regime and explain the day to day tactical and logistical decisions of infantry and air command as british and american troops moved into basra and baghdad they simultaneously step back to examine long running debates within the u s defense department about the proper uses of military power and probe the strategic implications of those debates for america s buildup to this war surveying the immense changes that have occurred in america s armed forces between the gulf conflicts of 1991 and 2003 changes in doctrine as well as weapons this volume reveals critical meanings and lessons about the new american way of war as it has unfolded in iraq

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