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from mexico to vietnam from nicaragua to lebanon and more recently to kosovo east timor and now iraq the united states has intervened in the affairs of other nations yet american leaders continue to promote the myth that america is benevolent and peace loving and involves itself in conflicts only to defend the rights of others excesses and cruelties though sometimes admitted usually are regarded as momentary aberrations this classic book is the first truly comprehensive history of american imperialism now fully updated and featuring a new introduction by howard zinn it is a must read for all students and scholars of american history renowned author sidney lens shows how the united states from the time it gained its own independence has used every available means political economic and military to dominate other nations lens presents a powerful argument meticulously pieced together from a huge array of sources to prove that imperialism is an inevitable consequence of the u s economic system surveying the pressures external and internal on the united states today he concludes that like any other empire the reign of the u s will end and he examines how this time of reckoning may come about

a new history of the united states that turns american exceptionalism on its head american empire is a panoramic work of scholarship that presents a bold new global perspective on the history of the united states drawing on his expertise in economic history and the imperial histories of britain and europe a g hopkins takes readers from the colonial era to today to show how far from diverging the united states and western europe followed similar trajectories throughout this long period and how america s dependency on britain and europe extended much later into the nineteenth century than previously understood in a sweeping narrative spanning three centuries hopkins describes how the revolt of the mainland colonies was the product of a crisis that afflicted the imperial states of europe generally and how the history of the american republic between 1783 and 1865 was a response not to the termination of british influence but to its continued expansion he traces how the creation of a u s industrial nation state after the civil war paralleled developments in western europe fostered similar destabilizing influences and found an outlet in imperialism through the acquisition of an insular empire in the caribbean and pacific the period of colonial rule that followed reflected the history of the european empires in its ideological justifications economic relations and administrative principles after 1945 a profound shift in the character of globalization brought the age of the great territorial empires to an end american empire goes beyond the myth of american exceptionalism to place the united states within the wider context of the global historical forces that shaped the western empires and the world

how american westward expansion was governmentally engineered to promote the formation of a white settler nation westward expansion of the united states is most conventionally remembered for rugged individualism geographic isolationism and a fair amount of luck yet the establishment of the forty eight contiguous states was hardly a foregone conclusion and the federal government played a critical role in its success this book examines the politics of american expansion showing how the government s regulation of population movements on the frontier both settlement and removal advanced national aspirations for empire and promoted the formation of a white settler nation building an american empire details how a government that struggled to exercise plenary power used federal land policy to assert authority over the direction of expansion by engineering the pace and patterns of settlement and to control the movement of populations at times the government mobilized populations for compact settlement in strategically important areas of the frontier at other times policies were designed to actively restrain settler populations in order to prevent violence international conflict and breakaway states paul frymer examines how these settlement patterns helped construct a dominant racial vision for america by incentivizing and directing the movement of white european settlers onto indigenous and diversely populated lands these efforts were hardly seamless and frymer pays close attention to the failures as well from the lack of further expansion into latin america to the defeat of the black colonization movement building an american empire reveals the lasting and profound significance government settlement policies had for the nation both for establishing america as dominantly white and for restricting broader aspirations for empire in lands that could not be so racially engineered

in this short accessible book layne and thayer argue the merits and demerits of an american empire with few if any rivals to its supremacy the united states has made an explicit commitment to maintaining and advancing its primacy in the world but what exactly are the benefits of american hegemony and what are the costs and drawbacks for this fledgling empire after making their best cases for and against an american empire subsequent chapters allow both authors to respond to the major arguments presented by their opponents and present their own counter arguments

american empire in the pacific explores the empire that emerged from the oregon treaty of 1846 with great britain and the outcome of the mexican war in 1848 together they signalled the mastery of the united states over the continent of north america the pacific ocean and the ancient civilizations of asia at last lay within reach england s east india company in the 17th and 18th centuries had introduced asian wares including tea to the american colonists but wars against france and then the struggle for american independence held back expansion by yankee entrepreneurs until 1783 thereafter from the atlantic seaboard american ships began regularly to reach china merchants sailors and missionaries motivated toward trade and redemption like the europeans they met along the way encountered the exotic peoples and cultures of the pacific would be empire builders projected a manifest destiny without limits russian alaska the native kingdom of hawaii japan korea samoa and spain s philippine islands as well as a transcontinental railroad and an isthmian canal acquired strategic significance in american minds in time to outweigh both commerce and conversion

presents a collection of articles and essays discussing american imperialism and superiority and the positive and negative effects of this power around the world

since the september 11th 2001 attacks on the world trade center and pentagon traditional american foreign policy has proven inadequate to 21st century challenges of islamic terrorism and globalization in this ground breaking analysis author james kurth explains that the roots of america s current foreign policy crisis lie in contradictions of an american empire which attempted to transform traditional american national interests promoted by presidents like teddy roosevelt and fdr into a new american led global order that has unsuccessfully attempted to promote supposedly universal rather than uniquely american ideals kurth dates the creation of the american empire to the morning of september 2nd 1945 when general douglas macarthur at the head of the representatives of the allied forces received the surrender of the representatives of the empire of japan and so the book begins on its front cover with a depiction of the moment when the american empire and the american century were born

in a challenging provocative book andrew bacevich reconsiders the assumptions and purposes governing the exercise of american global power examining the presidencies of george h w bush and bill clinton as well as george w bush s first year in office he demolishes the view that the united states has failed to devise a replacement for containment as a basis for foreign policy he finds instead that successive post cold war administrations have adhered to a well defined strategy of openness motivated

by the imperative of economic expansionism that strategy aims to foster an open and integrated international order thereby perpetuating the undisputed primacy of the world's sole remaining superpower moreover openness is not a new strategy but has been an abiding preoccupation of policymakers as far back as woodrow wilson although based on expectations that eliminating barriers to the movement of trade capital and ideas nurtures not only affluence but also democracy the aggressive pursuit of openness has met considerable resistance to overcome that resistance u s policymakers have with increasing frequency resorted to force and military power has emerged as never before as the preferred instrument of american statecraft resulting in the progressive militarization of u s foreign policy neither indictment nor celebration american empire sees the drive for openness for what it is a breathtakingly ambitious project aimed at erecting a global imperium large questions remain about that project's feasibility and about the human financial and moral costs that it will entail by penetrating the illusions obscuring the reality of u s policy this book marks an essential first step toward finding the answers table of contents preface introduction 1 the myth of the reluctant superpower 2 globalization and its conceits 3 policy by default 4 strategy of openness 5 full spectrum dominance 6 gunboats and gurkhas 7 rise of the proconsuls 8 different drummers same drum 9 war for the imperium notes acknowledgments index reviews of this book a straightforward critical interpretation of american statecraft in the 1990s he is straightforward too in establishing where he stands on the political spectrum about us foreign policy bacevich insists that there are no differences in the key assumptions governing the foreign policy of the administrations of bush i clinton and bush ii and this will certainly be the subject of passionate debate bacevich's argument persuades by means of engaging prose as well as the compelling and relentless accumulation of detail bring's badly needed perspective to troubled times james a miller boston globe reviews of this book for everyone there's andrew bacevich's american empire an intelligent elegantly written highly convincing polemic that demonstrates how the motor of us foreign policy since independence has been the need to guarantee economic growth dominick donald the guardian reviews of this book andrew bacevich's remarkably clear cool headed and enlightening book is an expression of the united states unadmitted imperial primacy it's as bracing as a plunge into a clear mountain lake after exposure to the soporific internationalist conventional wisdom bacevich performs an invaluable service by restoring missing historical context and perspective to today's shallow hand wringing discussion of sept 11 bacevich's brave intelligent book restores our vocabulary to debate anew the united states purpose in the world richard j whalen across the board reviews of this book to say that andrew bacevich's american empire is a truly realistic work of realism is therefore to declare it not only a very good book but also a pretty rare one the author a distinguished former soldier combines a tough minded approach to the uses of military force with a grasp of american history that is both extremely knowledgeable and exceptionally clear sighted this book is indispensable for anyone who wants to understand the background to u s world hegemony at the start of the 21st century and it is also a most valuable warning about the dangers into which the pursuit and maintenance of this hegemony may lead america anatol levin washington monthly reviews of this book american empire is an immensely thoughtful book its reflections go beyond the narrow realm of u s security policy and demonstrate a deep understanding of american history and culture david hastings dunn political studies review i have long suspected our nation's triumphs and trials owed much to the american genius for solipsism and self deception bacevich has convinced me of it by holding up a mirror to self styled idealists and realists alike read all the books you want about the post cold war post 9 11 world just be sure american empire is one of them walter a mcdougall pulitzer prize winning historian university of pennsylvania this deeply informed impressive polemical book is precisely what americans in and outside of the academy needed before 9 11 and need now even more crisp lively biting prose will help them enjoy it among its many themes are hubris hegemony and the fatuousness of claims by the american military that they can now achieve transparency in war making michael s sherry northwestern university the united states could not possibly have an empire americans think but we do and with verve and telling insight andrew bacevich shows how it works and what it means ronald steel author of temptations of a superpower america's foreign policy after the cold war

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chronicles how far our foreign policy has come from the founders intentions details the threat to america s security and prosperity posed by mortgaging our future to support the rest of the world and lays out a plan to strengthen our nation by restoring a foreign policy that adheres to the constitution publisher s website

this book shows how the predominantly national focus that characterises studies of the united states after 1783 can be integrated with global trends as viewed from the perspective of imperial history the book also argues that historians of european empires have much to gain by considering the united states after 1783 as a newly decolonised country that acquired overseas territorial possessions in 1898 and remained a member of the western imperial club until the mid twentieth century the wide ranging synthesis by a g hopkins *American Empire: A Global History* 2018 provides the starting point for contributions that appraise its main theme and take it in new directions the first three chapters identify fresh approaches to u s history between the revolution and the civil war suggesting ways in which the united states can be considered as a newly decolonised country examining shifting meanings of the term empire and reassessing the character of continental expansion the second group deals with initiatives and responses in the philippines and cuba reconsidering the character of nationalism in two of the most important overseas territories that were either ruled directly or controlled indirectly by the united states and placing it in an international context the third group examines the exercise of u s power in the twentieth century identifying aspects of international law that have been overlooked and reviewing the extensive literature on the controversial themes of the cold war and informal empire after 1945 the ten chapters in this edited volume bring together noted specialists on the history of international relations the united states and the insular empire it ruled in the twentieth century the chapters were originally published as articles in a special issue of the journal of imperial and commonwealth history

how could the united states a nation founded on the principles of liberty and equality have produced abu ghraib torture memos plamegate and warrantless wiretaps did america set out to become an empire and if so how has it reconciled its imperialism and in some cases its crimes with the idea of liberty so forcefully expressed in the declaration of independence empire for liberty tells the story of men who used the rhetoric of liberty to further their imperial ambitions and reveals that the quest for empire has guided the nation s architects from the very beginning and continues to do so today

the rise and decline of the american empire explores the rapidly growing literature on the rise and fall of the united states the author argues that after 1945 the us has definitely been the most dominant power the world has seen and that it has successfully met the challenges from first the soviet union and then japan and the european union now however the united states is in decline its vast military power is being challenged by asymmetrical wars its economic growth is slow and its debt is rising rapidly the political system is proving unable to meet these challenges in a satisfactory way while the us is still likely to remain the world s leading power for the foreseeable future it is being challenged by china particularly economically and also by several other regional great powers the book also addresses the more theoretical question of what recent superpowers have been able to achieve and what they have not achieved how could the united states be both the dominant power and at the same time suffer significant defeats and how could the soviet union suddenly collapse no power has ever been omnipotent it cannot control events all around the world the soviet union suffered from imperial overstretch the traditional colonial empires suffered from a growing lack of legitimacy at the international national and local levels the united states has been able to maintain its alliance system but only in a much reformed way if a small power simply insists on pursuing its own very different policies there is normally little the united states and other great powers will do military intervention is an option that can be used only rarely and most often with strikingly limited results

american invasions canada to afghanistan 1775 to 2010 is a thought provoking analysis of the reasons for american invasions and warmongering over the last two centuries contrary to the views expressed

by the western media and western historians the american empire is not a force for the promotion of free thinking and democracy but instead a force for imperial conquests and imposed dictatorships through the use of a military industrial complex fed by the american empire outspending the rest of the world combined on weapons of mass destruction the american empire has used and will continue to use the most sophisticated weapons from nuclear bombs to bunker busting bombs to land mines to chemical and biological weapons on defenseless men women and children to feed its insatiable appetite for warmongering and imperial expansion it combines military bases around the world with military prisons used for torture and extraction of information its navy patrols every corner of the globe and its planes can rain down bombs from the heavens on every civilian on the planet

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