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WINNER OF THE BBC SAMUEL JOHNSON PRIZE FOR NON FICTION 2010 A SPECTACULARLY REVEALING AND HARROWING PORTRAIT OF ORDINARY LIVES IN THE WORLD'S LEAST ORDINARY COUNTRY NORTH KOREA NORTH KOREA IS ORWELL'S 1984 MADE REALITY IT IS THE ONLY COUNTRY IN THE WORLD NOT CONNECTED TO THE INTERNET GONE WITH THE WIND IS A DANGEROUS BANNED BOOK DURING POLITICAL RALLIES SPIES STUDY YOUR EXPRESSION TO CHECK YOUR SINCERITY AFTER THE DEATH OF THE COUNTRY'S GREAT LEADER KIM IL SUNG IN 1994 FAMINE DESCENDED AND NOTHING TO ENVY WINNER OF THE 2010 BBC SAMUEL JOHNSON PRIZE FOR NON FICTION WEAVES TOGETHER THE STORIES OF ADVERSITY AND RESILIENCE OF SIX RESIDENTS OF CHONGIN NORTH KOREA'S THIRD LARGEST CITY FROM EXTENSIVE INTERVIEWS AND WITH TENACIOUS INVESTIGATIVE WORK BARBARA DEMICK HAS RECREATED THE CONCERNS CULTURE AND LIFESTYLES OF NORTH

KOREAN CITIZENS IN A GRIPPING NARRATIVE AND VIVIDLY RECONSTRUCTED THE INNER WORKINGS OF THIS EXTRAORDINARY AND SECRETIVE COUNTRY

NOTHING TO ENVY FOLLOWS THE LIVES OF SIX NORTH KOREANS OVER 15 YEARS A CHAOTIC PERIOD THAT SAW THE UNCHALLENGED RISE TO POWER OF KIM JONG IL AND THE DEVASTATION OF A FAMINE THAT KILLED ONE FIFTH OF THE POPULATION

THIS BOOK FOLLOWS THE LIVES OF SIX NORTH KOREANS OVER FIFTEEN YEARS THIS CHAOTIC PERIOD SAW THE RISE TO POWER OF KIM JONG IL AND THE DEVASTATION OF A FAMINE THAT KILLED ONE FIFTH OF THE POPULATION IT ILLUSTRATES WHAT IT IS LIKE TO LIVE UNDER A TOTALITARIAN REGIME

PLEASE NOTE THIS IS A COMPANION VERSION NOT THE ORIGINAL BOOK SAMPLE BOOK INSIGHTS 1 NORTH KOREA IS A COUNTRY THAT HAS FALLEN OUT OF THE DEVELOPED WORLD THE COUNTRY IS COVERED IN DARKNESS WHICH IS SOMETHING THAT TEENAGERS LOVE 2 IN THE LATE 1990S NORTH KOREANS WOULD MEET IN THE DARK TO ESCAPE THE PRYING EYES OF THE AUTHORITIES THE GIRL WOULD LEAD HER BOYFRIEND TO A HOT SPRING RESORT OUTSIDE OF TOWN WHERE THE GROUNDS WERE POORLY MAINTAINED BUT THE TREES WERE STILL BEAUTIFUL 3 WHEN I MET MI RAN SHE WAS A 31 YEAR OLD WOMAN LIVING IN SOUTH KOREA SHE HAD DEFECTED SIX YEARS EARLIER I WANTED TO KNOW WHAT LIFE WAS LIKE FOR DEFECTORS IN NORTH KOREA SO I INTERVIEWED HER 4 IN 2004 MI RAN WAS A KINDERGARTEN TEACHER IN A MINING TOWN IN NORTH KOREA SHE WAS WORKING TOWARD A GRADUATE DEGREE IN EDUCATION SHE HAD A DREAM ABOUT HER BOYFRIEND A SOUTH KOREAN CIVILIAN MILITARY EMPLOYEE WHO HAD MARRIED HER THE PREVIOUS YEAR

NORTH KOREA RUN BY A MAD DICTATOR IS CUT OFF FROM THE REST OF THE WORLD UNKNOWN AND UNKNOWABLE BUT NORTH KOREA IS ALSO A PLACE WHERE ORDINARY PEOPLE LIVE DREAM AND LEARN TO SURVIVE DEMICK DRAWS A POWERFUL PORTRAIT OF A BIZZARE SOCIETY AND THE VERY REAL LIVES IT AFFECTS

WINNER OF THE 2010 SAMUEL JOHNSON PRIZE FOR NON FICTION WHAT IF THE WORLD IMAGINED BY GEORGE ORWELL IN NINETEEN EIGHTY FOUR WAS REAL WHAT IF EVERYTHING AROUND YOU WAS BLACK AND WHITE EXCEPT FOR THE RED LETTERS ON PROPAGANDA SIGNS WHERE SPIES LIKE ORWELL S THOUGHT POLICE STUDIED YOUR FACIAL EXPRESSIONS DURING POLITICAL RALLIES TO MAKE SURE YOU WERE SINCERE IN YOUR EXPRESSIONS AND YOUR THOUGHTS IF YOU COULDN T TURN THE DIALS OF YOUR RADIO AWAY FROM THE GOVERNMENT STATION IN FACT THERE IS SUCH A PLACE NORTH KOREA THE ONLY COUNTRY NOT CONNECTED TO THE INTERNET BY CHOICE RULED OVER BY A DICTATOR VISIBLE ONLY IN CAREFULLY CONTROLLED IMAGES IT S A MYSTERIOUS EVEN SINISTER COUNTRY BUT IT S ALSO A PLACE WHERE 22 MILLION PEOPLE LIVE WORK AND DREAM OF A DIFFERENT LIFE JOURNALIST BARBARA DEMICK SPENT A DECADE COVERING NORTH KOREA S STRANGE POLITICS AND REGULATIONS THEN ONE DAY SHE MET A YOUNG WOMAN DEFECTOR MI RAN

WHO TOLD HER ABOUT GROWING UP THERE ABOUT THE CINEMA SHE USED TO GO TO WHEN THE COUNTRY STILL HAD ELECTRICITY AND ABOUT THE TEENAGE ROMANCE WHICH BLOSSOMED THERE THROUGH MI RAN S STORY DEMICK GLIMPSED ANOTHER MORE HUMAN SIDE OF NORTH KOREA IN NOTHING TO ENVY DEMICK RE TRACES THE LIFE OF MI RAN AND OF FIVE OTHER NORTH KOREANS TAKING US INTO THE HEART OF AN ELUSIVE SOCIETY WE SEE HER SUBJECTS FALL IN LOVE NURTURE AMBITIONS AND STRUGGLE WITH SURVIVAL AND BETRAYAL THEIR STORIES FORM A HAUNTING PORTRAIT OF A BIZARRE SOCIETY AND THE COST IT EXACTS ON ITS CITIZENS

BARBARA DEMICK S NOTHING TO ENVY 2009 TRACES THE LIVES OF SIX NORTH KOREAN DEFECTORS FROM CHONGJIN A CITY IN NORTHEASTERN NORTH KOREA IN NORTH HAMGYONG PROVINCE THE NARRATIVE EXAMINES THEIR DAILY LIVES AND OCCUPATIONS PURCHASE THIS IN DEPTH SUMMARY TO LEARN MORE

WHEN HISTORY HAD OTHER PLANS CONSISTS OF 12 STAND ALONE CHAPTERS WHICH IMMEDIATELY FURNISH THE READER WITH ATTENTION GRABBING ONE LINERS AS EVIDENCED IN ITS CHOICE OF CHAPTER TITLES HITLER ENDED RACISM MORE ENVIRONMENTALISM MORE CO₂ THE WEST ENCOURAGED PUTIN BY DISCOURAGING HIM ENSURING THAT IT WILL PIQUE INTEREST AND STIR UP DEBATE ONE LINE ONE STORY ONE CHAPTER THERE ARE NO ABSTRACTIONS NO THEORIES NO MUSINGS JUST VERIFIABLE FACTS

IN KIM JONG UN S STRATEGY FOR SURVIVAL DAVID W SHIN CONTENTS THAT KIM JONG UN S CONSOLIDATION OF POWER AT HOME AND THE LEVERAGING OF BEIJING MOSCOW SEOUL AND WASHINGTON AND OTHERS ABROAD SHOW THAT HE IS NOT A MADMAN AND LIKE THE TWO EARLIER KIMS HAS CONSISTENTLY BEEN UNDERESTIMATED SHIN PRESENTS AN ALTERNATIVE FRAMEWORK FOR KIM JONG UN S BEHAVIOR THROUGH HIS ANALYSIS OF KIM S BACKGROUND AND HIS DEVELOPMENT AS THE SUCCESSOR TO HIS FATHER KIM JONG IL THE EVOLUTION OF THE TOTALITARIAN SYSTEM KIM INHERITED FROM HIS GRANDFATHER KIM IL SUNG AND THE SECURITY ENVIRONMENT AFTER KIM JONG IL S DEATH IN 2011 THIS BOOK IS RECOMMENDED FOR SCHOLARS AND STUDENTS OF POLITICAL SCIENCE ASIAN STUDIES INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AND HISTORY

THIS BOOK CONSIDERS BOTH KOREAS NORTH KOREA AND SOUTH KOREA TO EXAMINE POSSIBLE PATHWAYS FOR THE YEARS LEADING UP TO 2032 AND BEYOND THUS OFFERING A COMPOSITE PICTURE OF KOREA AND ITS STRATEGIC RELEVANCE IN ASIA AND THE WORLD AT LARGE THROUGH A COMBINED SOUTH NORTH OLYMPIC TEAM AND AN EFFORT OF JOINTLY HOSTING THE GAMES REPUBLIC OF KOREA PRESIDENT MOON JAE IN HAS MARKED THE YEAR 2032 AS SPECIAL IN THE FUTURE OF THE KOREAN PENINSULA ALTHOUGH THE INTERNATIONAL OLYMPIC COMMITTEE IOC HAS EXPRESSED SCEPTICISM ABOUT A COMBINED HOSTING OF THE GAMES THE EXPECTATION IN KOREA IS THAT THIS EVENT WILL UNDERLINE THE SHARED DESTINY OF THE PEOPLE INHABITING THE PENINSULA AND REALIGN TWO STATES STILL CAUGHT IN AN IDEOLOGICALLY FRAUGHT CIVIL CONFLICT THAT IS ONE OF THE LAST VESTIGES OF THE COLD WAR CHAPTERS BEGIN WITH A BRIEF

HISTORICAL REVIEW AND ANALYSIS OF THE PRESENT BEFORE MOVING TO CONSIDER HOW THESE WILL SHAPE THE NEXT DECADE DRAWING COMPARATIVE AND COMPLEMENTARY ANALYSES NO MATTER HOW CONTRASTING THE CONTEMPORARY TRAJECTORIES OF BOTH NORTH AND SOUTH KOREA MIGHT APPEAR KOREA AS A SINGULAR ENTITY IS AN OLD CONCEPT STILL CONTAINING GREAT POSSIBILITIES AS THE ONGOING INTER KOREAN RECONCILIATION PROCESS UNDERSCORES THE FUTURES OF NORTH AND SOUTH KOREA CAN BE FOUND IN A COMPLEMENTARY SINGULAR KOREA WHICH WOULD AGAIN REPRESENT AN IMPORTANT POLITICAL STRATEGIC CULTURAL AND SOCIAL SPACE IN ASIA AN EVALUATION OF THE FUTURE TRAJECTORY SOCIAL AWARENESS AND PERCEPTION OF THE KOREAS THIS BOOK OFFERS A VALUABLE CONTRIBUTION TO THE STUDY OF NORTH AND SOUTH KOREA AND ASIAN POLITICS

AS ASIA INCREASES IN ECONOMIC AND GEOPOLITICAL SIGNIFICANCE IT IS NECESSARY TO BETTER UNDERSTAND THE REGION S INTELLIGENCE CULTURES THE HANDBOOK OF ASIAN INTELLIGENCE CULTURES EXPLORES THE HISTORICAL AND CONTEMPORARY INFLUENCES THAT HAVE SHAPED ASIAN INTELLIGENCE CULTURES AS WELL AS THE IMPACT INTELLIGENCE SERVICE HAVE HAD ON DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS IN EXAMINING THIRTY ASIAN COUNTRIES IT CONSIDERS THE ROLES PRACTICES NORMS AND OVERSIGHT OF ASIA S INTELLIGENCE SERVICES INCLUDING THE ENDS TO WHICH INTELLIGENCE TOOLS ARE APPLIED THE BOOK ARGUES THAT THERE IS NO ARCHETYPE OF ASIAN INTELLIGENCE CULTURE DUE TO THE DIVERSITY OF HISTORY GOVERNMENT TYPE AND SOCIETY FOUND IN ASIA RATHER IT DEMONSTRATES HOW ASIAN NATIONS HISTORIES CULTURES AND GOVERNMENTS PLAY VITAL ROLES IN INTELLIGENCE CULTURES THIS BOOK IS A VALUABLE STUDY FOR SCHOLARS OF INTELLIGENCE AND SECURITY SERVICES IN ASIA SHEDDING LIGHT ON UNDERSTUDIED COUNTRIES AND IDENTIFYING OPPORTUNITIES FOR FUTURE SCHOLARSHIP

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MADNESS AND POWER CAN THE INSANE RULE CAN INSANITY BE A LEADERSHIP QUALITY SCOTT RANK SAYS YES WELL SOMETIMES IN THIS FASCINATING LOOK AT NINE OF HISTORY S MOST NOTORIOUS RULERS FROM THE ROMAN EMPEROR CALIGULA TO THE NORTH KOREAN COMMUNIST DICTATOR KIM JONG IL RANK PAINTS INTIMATE PORTRAITS OF THESE DEEPLY FLAWED BUT POWERFUL MEN EXAMINING THE ROLE THAT MADNESS PLAYED IN THEIR LIVES THE REPERCUSSIONS OF THEIR MADNESS ON HISTORY AND WHAT THEIR MADNESS CAN TELL US ABOUT THE TIMES IN WHICH THEY LIVED IN HISTORY S 9 MOST INSANE RULERS YOU WILL MEET KING CHARLES VI OF FRANCE WHO THOUGHT HE WAS MADE OF GLASS SULTAN IBRAHIM I WHO WAS DRIVEN MAD BY THE SADISTIC SUCCESSION BATTLES OF THE OTTOMAN EMPIRE CALIGULA WHO BUILT TEMPLES TO HIMSELF AND WHOSE REIGN HIGHLIGHTED THE LETHAL TENSIONS BETWEEN THE POWER OF THE NEW IMPERIAL ROME AND THE PREROGATIVES OF THE OLD ROMAN REPUBLIC THE RUSSIAN TSAR WHO BECAME KNOWN AS

IVAN THE TERRIBLE KING GEORGE III OF BRITAIN WHO NOT ONLY LOST HIS AMERICAN COLONIES BUT LOST HIS MIND AS WELL BAVARIA S MAD KING LUDWIG II WHO LEFT THE WORLD RICHER FOR HIS FABULOUS FAIRY TALE CASTLES AND HIS PATRONAGE OF THE COMPOSER RICHARD WAGNER INSANE RULERS DID NOT DIE OFF WITH THE LAST OF THE MAD MONARCHS WHO INHERITED THEIR POWER RANK ALSO EXAMINES THE RISE TO POWER OF CRAZED MODERN RULERS SUCH AS IDI AMIN WHO BEGAN AS A LOWLY ARMY COOK AND ROSE TO THE PRESIDENCY OF UGANDA AND SAPARMURAT NIYAZOV WHO RULED TURKMENISTAN AND PROMOTED A BIZARRE CULT OF PERSONALITY AROUND HIMSELF BOTH ENTERTAINING AND ILLUMINATING HISTORY S 9 MOST INSANE RULERS IS A MUST READ FOR ANYONE INTERESTED IN THE ROLE INSANITY HAS PLAYED IN HISTORY

THIS BOOK IS A COLLECTION OF 16 ESSAYS BY INTERNATIONAL AUTHORS WHO PARTICIPATED IN AN ACADEMIC CONFERENCE ON KOREA SPONSORED BY THE U S NAVAL WAR COLLEGE PAPERS WERE ORIGINALLY PRESENTED AT THE NAVAL WAR COLLEGE S ASIA PACIFIC FORUM THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE COLLEGE S ASIA PACIFIC STUDIES GROUP HELD IN NEWPORT R I ON 26 27 AUGUST 2004

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