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Russia's economic, political, and social development as well as its integration into the community of Western nations will depend on this work, the result of a six-year study, sheds light on Russia's role in the global Information Revolution. It examines Russia's increasing reliance on information and

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communications technologies (IT) to improve its government institutions, modernize business and industry and stimulate economic growth, broaden information access, and enhance the quality of life for Russian people. The author examines Russia's emerging IT sector, how businesses in Russia are seeking to use IT to enhance productivity and profitability, the impact of IT on government, and the

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course of the
Information Revolution
in Russian society.
This report assesses the
annexation of Crimea by
Russia (February–March
2014) and the early
phases of political
mobilization and combat
operations in Eastern
Ukraine (late
February–late May 2014).
It examines Russia's
approach, draws
inferences from Moscow's
intentions, and
evaluates the likelihood
of such methods being
used again elsewhere.

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**Om den russiske
efterretningstjeneste
FSB's aktiviteter under
præsident Vladimir Putin
og om de problemer det
skaber for det moderne
Rusland**

**Russia and the
Information Revolution
The Russian-American
Industrial Corporation
The International
Harvester Company in
Russia**

**Who Owns Russia?
Russian Views of the
International Order
Competing from
Advantageous Ground**

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**The Russia Corporate
Governance Manual
Deterring Without
Unintended Escalation
The dissolution of the
Soviet Union was
obviously a defeat for the
Communist Party, but
more surprisingly it was a
victory for the ruthless
State Security
Committee, the KGB.
Today its successor, the
FSB (Federal Security
Service), is firmly in
control of Russia through
the person of Vladimir
Putin, a former KGB
operative and FSB**

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director. From Red Terror to Mafia State details how the state security organization seized power over Russia, and explains how the FSB doesn't just silence domestic dissenters but also threatens the outside world. The story begins in 1917 with the establishment of the All-Russian Extraordinary Commission (VChK), commonly known as the Cheka, under the direction of Felix Dzerzhinsky. Several versions of State Security

followed before the KGB was formed in 1954. For many decades, the Security organization competed for dominance with the Communist Party of the Soviet Union, until the party was finally defeated and lost power in 1991. Through a chain of unconstitutional maneuverings, the state power landed in the hands of the FSB in 2000 when Putin was elevated to the presidency of Russia, a position he holds in perpetuity. The authors of this

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illuminating narrative are exceptionally well qualified to reveal how it all happened. Yuri Felshtinsky, a historian, has written prolifically on the Soviet Union, Russia, and the state security apparatus. Vladimir Popov was himself a KGB operative for two decades. Together with Boris Gulko and Viktor Kortschnoi, they co-authored The KGB Plays Chess: The Secret Police and the Fight for the World Chess Crown (2010). In their new book,

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Felshtinsky and Popov underscore the dangers posed to the world by FSB rule over a nuclear superpower and suggest ways to eliminate this new and unexpected threat.

Looks at the rise of Vladimir Putin, his presidency, and the influence of the FSB on Russian life, economics, and government.

**A New York Times and Sunday Times bestseller |
A New York Times Book Review Editors' Choice
Named a best book of the**

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**year by The Economist |
Financial Times | New
Statesman | The
Telegraph "[Putin's
People] will surely now
become the definitive
account of the rise of
Putin and Putinism."
—Anne Applebaum, The
Atlantic "This riveting,
immaculately researched
book is arguably the best
single volume written
about Putin, the people
around him and perhaps
even about contemporary
Russia itself in the past
three decades." —Peter
Frankopan, Financial**

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Times Interference in American elections. The sponsorship of extremist politics in Europe. War in Ukraine. In recent years, Vladimir Putin's Russia has waged a concerted campaign to expand its influence and undermine Western institutions. But how and why did all this come about, and who has orchestrated it? In Putin's People, the investigative journalist and former Moscow correspondent Catherine Belton reveals the untold story of how Vladimir Putin and the

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small group of KGB men surrounding him rose to power and looted their country. Delving deep into the workings of Putin's Kremlin, Belton accesses key inside players to reveal how Putin replaced the freewheeling tycoons of the Yeltsin era with a new generation of loyal oligarchs, who in turn subverted Russia's economy and legal system and extended the Kremlin's reach into the United States and Europe. The result is a

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chilling and revelatory exposé of the KGB's revanche—a story that begins in the murk of the Soviet collapse, when networks of operatives were able to siphon billions of dollars out of state enterprises and move their spoils into the West. Putin and his allies subsequently completed the agenda, reasserting Russian power while taking control of the economy for themselves, suppressing independent voices, and launching covert influence

operations abroad. Ranging from Moscow and London to Switzerland and Brooklyn's Brighton Beach—and assembling a colorful cast of characters to match—Putin's People is the definitive account of how hopes for the new Russia went astray, with stark consequences for its inhabitants and, increasingly, the world. By the summer of 2003, Yukos Oil had become something of a test case for the private sector in

Russia. Like many things in post-Communist Russia, the story behind Yukos is infused with intrigue, politics, and scandal. This paper examines how Mikhail Khodorkovsky, the controversial chief executive and controlling shareholder, transformed himself from a banker whose business practices were much maligned to an oil magnate whose company has been held up as a model for corporate governance in today's Russia. The paper

charts Khodorkovsky's background, how he came to own Yukos and how he turned it, this year, into the world's fourth-largest oil producer with the acquisition of Sibneft, the fast-growing Siberian oil corporation. Along the way, Yukos and Khodorkovsky benefited from the tumultuous changes in Russia while adopting a Western style of management and corporate governance. At the same time, Khodorkovsky benefited

from the Russian legal system and from a reporting system that made investor scrutiny of the firm and its performance difficult. In July, the story of Yukos Oil took another twist, when state prosecutors began investigating the firm. Khodorkovsky, now considered the country's wealthiest man, is financing political parties opposed to President Vladimir Putin, raising concerns that investigations of Yukos are a politically

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**motivated smear
campaign. By the fall,
Yukos was reported to be
negotiating a deal to sell
nearly half its shares to
another international oil
company.**

**Russia's State Security in
the Struggle for World
Domination**

**Understanding Russian
Propaganda in Eastern
Europe**

**Money, Power and the
Myths of the New Cold
War**

**Facing the Future : a
Report of Carnegie
Corporation of New York**

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Russia

The Age of Assassins

Building a Nuclear

Empire: Nuclear Energy

As a Russian Foreign

Policy Tool In the Case Of

Turkey

Russia Without Putin

*As the U.S. National
Defense Strategy
recognizes, the United
States is currently locked
in a great-power
competition with Russia.
This report seeks to
define areas where the
United States can compete
to its own advantage. It
examines Russian*

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vulnerabilities and anxieties; analyzes potential policy options to exploit them; and assesses the associated benefits, costs, and risks, as well as the likelihood of successful implementation.

The CSIS Transnational Threats Project analyzes Russia's increasing use of private military companies as a means to expand its influence, extract resources, and build the capacity of partners and allies through deniable, irregular means.

In this report, RAND

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researchers analyze Russian views of the current international order, identify Russia's core interests, and highlight the underlying choices for U.S. policy going forward.

This book examines the dynamics of Russian foreign policy between 2000-2019 by specifically focusing on the civilian aspect of nuclear energy and how it shapes Russia's relations with Turkey. It aims to clarify the role and the importance of nuclear energy as a foreign policy tool,

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specifically in the case of Turkey. To this end, Russian nuclear energy policy is scrutinized in detail. This book reveals that the marketing and trading of nuclear power plants (NPPs) for civilian purposes not only provides surpluses for Russian economy but also increases the influence and power of Russia over those places where nuclear reactors are sold or other nuclear goods and services are supplied. Specifically, it examines the extent of the influence of the exportation of NPPs on the

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Russian foreign policy dynamics in Turkey. In this context, first a brief historical background information on Russian nuclear power status as well as the utilization of nuclear energy as a foreign policy tool during Putin's presidency is given. This is followed by the Russia's nuclear energy policies towards Turkey and the effects of this policy on the Russian foreign policy dynamics in Turkey. The book concludes that the Akkuyu NPP project will result in

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Moscow's domination in the foreign policy dynamics between Turkey and Russia. As a result of such dominance Turkey will become much less sovereign in its foreign policy options and will feel the pressure coming from Moscow about the possible consequences of its actions which will not please Russia. The primary methodological tool of the work was qualitative analysis utilizing primary and secondary sources in Russian, English and Turkish on the topic, including academic books,

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*articles, newspapers,
magazines and relevant
official websites.*

Prospectus

*Russia's Corporate
Soldiers*

Blowout

*Corrupted Democracy, Rogue
State Russia, and the
Richest, Most Destructive
Industry on Earth*

Sources and Implications

Terror from Within

Russian Social Media

Influence

*The Russian-American
Industrial Corporation for
Aid in the Economic
Reconstruction of Russia*

What challenges does today's Russia

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pose for the United States and the U.S. Air Force? If certain economic, military, social, and political negative trends in Russia continue, they may create a new set of dangers that might prove more real, and therefore more frightening, than the far-off specter of Russian attack ever was. In a number of scenarios, the U.S. Air Force is certain to be called upon for transportation and perhaps for various military missions in a very demanding environment. Corporate governance is a new and rapidly changing field in transition economies. Companies must have good corporate governance to attract foreign investment but many Russian firms have governance practices that leave much to be

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desired. Until a few years ago, transparency was practically unknown and even now many enterprises hide important financial information rather than report it. Minority shareholders often had little or no rights and the value of their investments evaporated as top management plundered the corporation and transferred assets to shell corporations they controlled. After the Russian default in 1998 several private organizations were formed to protect minority shareholders and to pressure Russian corporations to adopt good corporate governance practices such as electing independent directors, forming an audit committee as part of the board of directors and

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adopting and implementing international financial reporting standards. This paper reports on their efforts and discusses how far along Russian corporations are on the road to good corporate governance practices. Some of the information in this paper was gathered from interviews conducted in Moscow and St. Petersburg during the summer of 2003.

A guided tour of the art of self-defense is offered by Russian president Vladimir Putin, a judo expert. Photos & illustrations.

Understanding Russia's grand strategy can help U.S.

decisionmakers assess the depth and nature of potential conflicts between Russia and the United States and

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avoid strategic surprise by better-anticipating Moscow's actions and reactions. The authors of this report review Russia's declared grand strategy, evaluate the extent to which Russian behavior is consistent with stated strategy, and outline implications for the United States.

Signs of Progress and Retreat on the Transitional Road

History, Theory, Practice

From Red Terror to Mafia State

The Media In Russia

First Person

Mr. Putin

How the KGB Took Back Russia and Then Took On the West

Judo

The raging question in the world today is who is the real Vladimir

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Putin and what are his intentions. Karen Dawisha's brilliant Putin's Kleptocracy provides an answer, describing how Putin got to power, the cabal he brought with him, the billions they have looted, and his plan to restore the Greater Russia. Russian scholar Dawisha describes and exposes the origins of Putin's kleptocratic regime. She presents extensive new evidence about the Putin circle's use of public positions for personal gain even before Putin became president in 2000. She documents the establishment of Bank Rossiya, now sanctioned by the US; the rise of the Ozero

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cooperative, founded by Putin and others who are now subject to visa bans and asset freezes; the links between Putin, Petromed, and “Putin’s Palace” near Sochi; and the role of security officials from Putin’s KGB days in Leningrad and Dresden, many of whom have maintained their contacts with Russian organized crime. Putin’s Kleptocracy is the result of years of research into the KGB and the various Russian crime syndicates. Dawisha’s sources include Stasi archives; Russian insiders; investigative journalists in the US, Britain, Germany, Finland, France, and

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Italy; and Western officials who served in Moscow. Russian journalists wrote part of this story when the Russian media was still free. “Many of them died for this story, and their work has largely been scrubbed from the Internet, and even from Russian libraries,” Dawisha says. “But some of that work remains.” Felshtinsky investigates how Russia under Putin became the first country in history to be ruled by its secret service. Using first-hand information from former oligarchs and KGB spies, he describes how the power has shifted away from the oligarchs to a small network of spies.

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Together they have created a power that was unimaginable even under Russian Communism.

How the West's obsession with Vladimir Putin prevents it from understanding Russia It is impossible to think of Russia today without thinking of Vladimir Putin. More than any other major national leader, he personifies his country in the eyes of the world, and dominates Western media coverage. In Russia itself, he is likewise the centre of attention both for his supporters and his detractors. But, as Tony Wood argues, this focus on Russia's president gets in the

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way of any real understanding of the country. The West needs to shake off its obsession with Putin and look beyond the Kremlin walls. In this timely and provocative analysis, Wood explores the profound changes Russia has undergone since 1991. In the process, he challenges several common assumptions made about contemporary Russia. Against the idea that Putin represents a return to Soviet authoritarianism, Wood argues that his rule should be seen as a continuation of Yeltsin's in the 1990s. The core features of Putinism—a predatory elite presiding over a vastly

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unequal society—are in fact integral to the system set in place after the fall of Communism. Wood also overturns the standard view of Russia's foreign policy, identifying the fundamental loss of power and influence that has underpinned recent clashes with the West. Russia without Putin concludes by assessing the current regime's prospects, and looks ahead to what the future may hold for the country.

As Russia's economy has grown, so have the country's global involvement and influence, which often take forms that the United States neither expects nor likes.

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The authors assess Russia's strategic interests and goals, examining the country's domestic policies, economic development, security goals, and worldview. They assess implications for U.S. interests and present ways that Washington could work to improve its relations with Moscow.

Trends and Implications for the United States and the U.S. Air Force

The Global Expansion of Russia's Private Military Companies

Bema Gold Corporation : the Russia (Mining) House Operative in the Kremlin

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A Fantastical Tale of Life Under
Putin

An Astonishingly Frank Self-
Portrait by Russia's President
Vladimir Putin

Implications for U.S. National
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Russia's Economy

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When a young scientist experimenting on livestock (and a circus midget) in a makeshift laboratory near Moscow gives a growth serum to a dwarf oil mogul, the newly heightened businessman runs off with the experimenter's wife, and a series of mysterious deaths and crimes commences. Fantastical, wonderfully strange, and ringing with the echoes of real-life events, this political parable fused with science fiction has an uncanny resonance with today's Russia under Putin. The official U.S. government report on Russian interference in democracy around the world! Most Americans were surprised to learn of Russian efforts to manipulate the results of the 2016 presidential election, and have become increasingly concerned about the vulnerabilities of our democracy. Here for the first time in an official U.S. government report is the fascinating and detailed account of how ex-

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KGB agent Vladimir Putin has used computer hackers, official state spy agencies, and even Russian organized crime thugs over the past thirty years to achieve his policy agenda?not only for Russian political domination, but also for his own enrichment and the enrichment of the oligarchs who control almost all aspects of the Russian economy. This complete report includes chapters on:

- Putin's Rise and Motivations
- Manipulation and Repression Inside Russia
- Old Active Measures and Modern Malign Influence Operations
- Weaponization of Civil Society, Ideology, Culture, Crime, and Energy
- Kremlin Interference in Semi-Consolidated Democracies and Transitional Governments
- Kremlin Interference in Consolidated Democracies
- Multilateral and U.S. efforts to Counter the Kremlin's Asymmetric Arsenal

In Putin's

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Asymmetric Assault on Democracy in Russia and Europe, we learn about Vladimir Putin's rise to power through the KGB to mayor of St. Petersburg and eventually as head of the Russian state. We discover the history of how Putin used classic Cold War KGB tactics by weaponizing civil society, culture, ideology, and Russia's criminal element against the nascent Russian democracy by cultivating and using ties to NGOs, thinktanks, extremist political groups, the Russian orthodox church, industrial and energy policy, and the Russian Mafia. We also see how the Kremlin then exported this political extortion, intimidation, and monetary corruption first to its Eastern European neighbors, then their western partners in the European Union, and how it has now landed on America's shores. Just as certain people in the intelligence community became

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increasingly alarmed at the growing strength and sophistication of Al-Qaeda in the late 1990s, the senators and staffers of the U.S. Senate Committee on Foreign Relations are giving the nation fair warning of a 9/11-level assault on the United States, this time by Russia's spy agencies. Putin's Asymmetric Assault on Democracy in Russia and Europe reveals not only the history of Russia's devastating tactics, but how to recognize and counter them.

Given the past decade of abuse of shareholder rights, corporate governance is essential for Russia's future. In this comprehensive volume, an international group of contributors - academics, corporate executives, government officials, policymakers, specialists from nongovernmental organizations, and legal experts - examine the crucial role of corporate governance as well as the

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external institutions and forces that affect it. Offering coverage from numerous perspectives, the contributors explore external and institutional influences on corporate governance, its workings within corporations, and the relationships between boards of directors, managers, shareholders, and the government. Case studies of three major companies illustrate the challenges and opportunities involved in creating sound practices. The concluding section provides a summary of the current situation and discusses implications for the future of Russia's corporate governance. A valuable source of information, *Corporate Governance in Russia* is a must-read for business people, government officials, academic researchers, students, and all those interested in Russia and what the future holds.

What Provokes Putin's Russia

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Rhetoric and Reality

Russia and the KGB in the Age of
President Putin

The Rise and Rise of Vladimir Putin

Doing Corporate Business in Russia

The Story of Russia's Secret Takeover

Report to the Board of Directors and
Stockholders on Conditions in Soviet

Russia and Contracts

Fardwor, Russia!

Who is this Vladimir
Putin? Who is this man
who suddenly--overnight
and without warning--was
handed the reigns of
power to one of the most
complex, formidable, and
volatile countries in
the world? How can we
trust him if we don't

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know him? First Person is an intimate, candid portrait of the man who holds the future of Russia in his grip. An extraordinary compilation of over 24 hours of in-depth interviews and remarkable photographs, it delves deep into Putin's KGB past and explores his meteoric rise to power. No Russian leader has ever subjected himself to this kind of public examination of his life and views. Both as a spy

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and as a virtual political unknown until selected by Boris Yeltsin to be Prime Minister, Putin has been regarded as man of mystery. Now, the curtain lifts to reveal a remarkable life of struggles and successes. Putin's life story is of major importance to the world.

"Deterrence presents an inherent dilemma: While it seeks to prevent aggression, a deterrent effort that is too heavy-handed or appears to

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represent an existential threat to the potential aggressor might prompt that precise response. In the context of North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO)-Russia relations, deterring without provoking requires an understanding of what Russia considers to be "redlines," defined as those triggers that Russian leadership claims cannot be crossed without provoking a major or hostile response on their part.

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The authors of this Perspective provide a better understanding of what provokes Putin's Russia. They identify Russia's claimed redlines before examining those developments that prompted Russia to escalate a dispute in the past and comparing them with the identified redlines. Next, they analyze how current and future deterrence efforts on the part of the United States and NATO might collide with

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Russian stated interests and cross these redlines. The authors find that predicting Russian reactions to U.S. and NATO movements is a challenging exercise, as some claimed redlines have proven not to be redlines at all, while in other cases, actions taken by the United States and its allies have triggered unexpectedly strong Russian responses. Overall, changes in force posture seem to

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hold the most potential for effective deterrence if carefully calibrated to minimize the risks of provoking Russia" -- Publisher's web site. Given Russia's annexation of Crimea and aggression in Ukraine, Europe must reassess the regional security environment. This report analyzes the vulnerability of European states to possible forms of Russian influence, pressure, and intimidation.

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The Corporation Russia and the KGB in the Age of President Putin
Russian Foreign Policy
ISSUE PAPER: Russia and the Information Revolution

A Corporate Governance Success Story?

Russia and the West After the Ukrainian Crisis

Yukos Oil

Extending Russia

The Corporation

Corporate Governance in Russia

Focuses on four questions related to Russia's economic

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progress and regress as a means of addressing ambiguities surrounding Russia's status as a transitional economy.

Previously published as The age of assassins.

An exhaustively researched book that reads like an investigative thriller, Fallout reveals how Obama ' s " Russian Reset " led to corruption, scandal, and a desperate bid to impeach Donald Trump. In 2015, a major story broke exposing Hillary Clinton ' s role in approving the sale of American uranium assets to

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the Russian state nuclear agency, Rosatom. Not only did the sale of Uranium One put 20 percent of America ' s domestic uranium supply under the control of Vladimir Putin, there was also evidence that the Clintons themselves had hugely profited from the deal. When presidential candidate Donald Trump made Uranium One the centerpiece of his " Crooked Hillary " attacks, the Clinton team feared its potential to damage Hillary ' s campaign. Others in the Obama-Biden camp worried that if elected, Trump would

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expose their role in selling out America ' s security to Putin. Their desperate need to neutralize the issue led them to launch an unprecedented investigation into the Trump campaign ' s purported ties to Russia. The infamous Steele dossier, produced by Clinton-connected Fusion GPS, sparked an investigation under FBI Director James Comey. Instead of ending after the election, the investigation grew bigger, eventually leading to Comey ' s firing and the appointment of Special Counsel Robert Mueller.

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When Mueller failed to find grounds for impeachment, Democrats seized on an ambiguous phone call with the Ukrainian president as a pretext to remove Trump from office. This gambit blew up in their faces when it exposed the secrets that Democrats tried hard to keep buried. An indispensable guide to the hidden background of recent events, *Fallout* shows how Putin 's bid for nuclear dominance produced a series of political scandals that ultimately posed one of the greatest threats to our democracy in modern

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American history.

Vladimir Putin has his own idealized view of himself as CEO of “ Russia, Inc. ” But rather than leading a transparent public corporation, he runs a closed boardroom, not answerable to its stakeholders. Now that his corporation seems to be in crisis, with political protests marking Mr. Putin ’ s return to the presidency in 2012, will the CEO be held accountable for its failings? “ For more than a dozen years—the equivalent of three American presidential terms— Vladimir Putin has presided over the

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largest nation on the planet, the second most powerful nuclear arsenal, and massive natural resources. Yet there is still debate about who he really is. Fiona Hill and Clifford Gaddy have gone a long way in answering that question, starting with the title, which makes a crucial point: even though ‘ Mr. Putin ’ was, in his upbringing and early career, a prototype of the Soviet man, he ’ s no longer ‘ Comrade Putin. ’ His aim is not the restoration of communism. He has made a deal with the capitalists who have thrived in Russia over

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the past two decades: they support him in the exercise of his political power, and he supports them in amassing their fortunes. ” —from the foreword by Strobe Talbott
From Civil Theory to Practice
European Vulnerabilities to Russian Pressures
Russian Grand Strategy
Putin's Kleptocracy

Putin's People

A Case Study of a Foreign Corporation in Russia from the 1860's to the 1930's

Blowing Up Russia

Russia employs a sophisticated social media campaign against

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former Soviet states that includes news tweets, nonattributed comments on web pages, troll and bot social media accounts, and fake hashtag and Twitter campaigns. Nowhere is this threat more tangible than in Ukraine. Researchers analyzed social media data and conducted interviews with regional and security experts to understand the critical ingredients to countering this campaign. 'The Media in Russia' is an introductory volume for students of various fields, including Russian studies, media studies and political science. It explores the media landscape and sets

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out to identify the chief challenges that Russian journalists have grappled with throughout the 300-year history of the Russian press.

#1 NEW YORK TIMES

BESTSELLER • Big Oil and Gas Versus Democracy—Winner

Take All “ A rollickingly well-written book, filled with fascinating, exciting, and

alarming stories about the impact of the oil and gas industry on the world today. ” —The New York

Times Book Review In 2010, the words “ earthquake swarm ”

entered the lexicon in Oklahoma. That same year, a trove of

Michael Jackson

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memorabilia—including his iconic crystal-encrusted white glove—was sold at auction for over \$1 million to a guy who was, officially, just the lowly forestry minister of the tiny nation of Equatorial Guinea. And in 2014, revolutionaries in Ukraine raided the palace of their ousted president and found a zoo of peacocks, gilded toilets, and a floating restaurant modeled after a Spanish galleon. Unlikely as it might seem, there is a thread connecting these events, and Rachel Maddow follows it to its crooked source: the unimaginably lucrative and equally corrupting oil and gas

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industry. With her trademark black humor, Maddow takes us on a switchback journey around the globe, revealing the greed and incompetence of Big Oil and Gas along the way, and drawing a surprising conclusion about why the Russian government hacked the 2016 U.S. election. She deftly shows how Russia ' s rich reserves of crude have, paradoxically, stunted its growth, forcing Vladimir Putin to maintain his power by spreading Russia ' s rot into its rivals, its neighbors, the West ' s most important alliances, and the United States. Chevron, BP, and a host of other industry players get their star

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turn, most notably ExxonMobil and the deceptively well-behaved Rex Tillerson. The oil and gas industry has weakened democracies in developed and developing countries, fouled oceans and rivers, and propped up authoritarian thieves and killers. But being outraged at it is, according to Maddow, “ like being indignant when a lion takes down and eats a gazelle. You can ’ t really blame the lion. It ’ s in her nature. ” Blowout is a call to contain the lion: to stop subsidizing the wealthiest businesses on earth, to fight for transparency, and to check the influence of the world ’ s most

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destructive industry and its enablers. The stakes have never been higher. As Maddow writes, “ Democracy either wins this one or disappears. ”

Recent Developments in
Corporate Governance in Russia
Fallout

Assessing Russia's Decline

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Nuclear Bribes, Russian Spies,
and the Washington Lies that
Enriched the Clinton and Biden
Dynasties

Putin's Asymmetric Assault on
Democracy in Russia and
Europe

Lessons from Russia's
Operations in Crimea and

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