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This comprehensive *Handbook* will be of interest to both academics and postgraduates as well as practitioners and specialists in security, foreign policy, and governance.

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