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ANJAN SUNDARAM

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A Reporter's Marriage amid a Central African War

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After ten years reporting from central Africa, Anjan Sundaram is living a quiet life in Canada with his wife and new-born. But when preparations for genocide emerge in the Central African Republic, he is suddenly torn between his duty to his family, and his moral responsibility to expose the conflict. Soon he is travelling through the CAR, driven by a possible spy—discovering ransacked villages and locals fleeing imminent massacre, fielding offers of mined gold, and hearing of soldiers who steal schoolbooks for cigarette paper. When he refuses to return home, journeying instead into a rebel stronghold, he learns that there is no going back to the life he has left behind. *Breakup* illuminates the personal price paid by those bearing witness on the frontlines of humanitarian crimes across the globe.



Anjan Sundaram is the author of *Bad News: Last Journalists in a Dictatorship* and *Stringer: A Reporter's Journey in the Congo*. His writing has also appeared in *Granta*, *The Guardian*, *The Observer*, *The Daily Telegraph* and *The Washington Post*.



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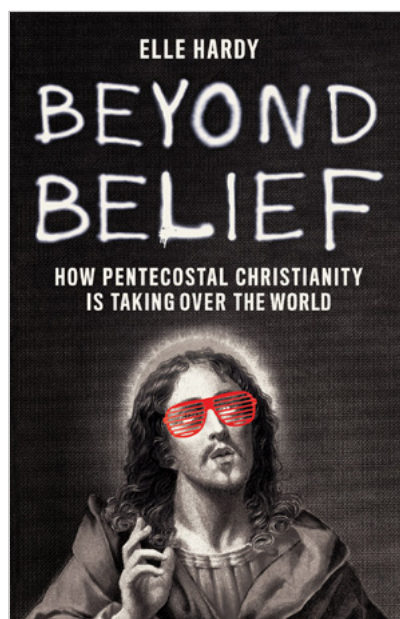
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'Anjan Sundaram is one of the
great reporters of our age. He
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'Hardy is a first-class reporter. [...] *Beyond Belief* makes for an often gripping story, full of twists and turns.' — *The Sunday Times*

'[An] elegant account [...] Hardy is an engaging usher round the Pentecostal world.' — *The Telegraph*

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Elle Hardy is a journalist and foreign correspondent who has reported from the United States, the former USSR and North Korea, among a long list of places.



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Why Some Countries Win and Others Lose

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Stefan Dercon is Professor of Economic Policy and Director of the Centre for the Study of African Economies at the University of Oxford.



NANJALA NYABOLA

Strange and Difficult Times

Notes on a Global Pandemic

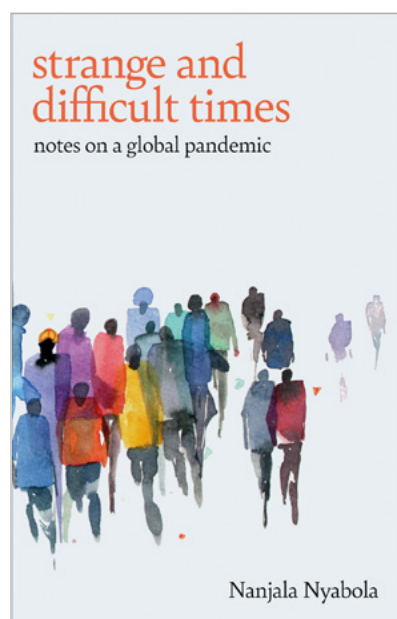
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Nanjala Nyabola is a writer and political analyst based in Nairobi, Kenya. Her work focuses on structural injustice, the intersection between technology and politics, and migration and human mobility.



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NANJALA NYABOLA

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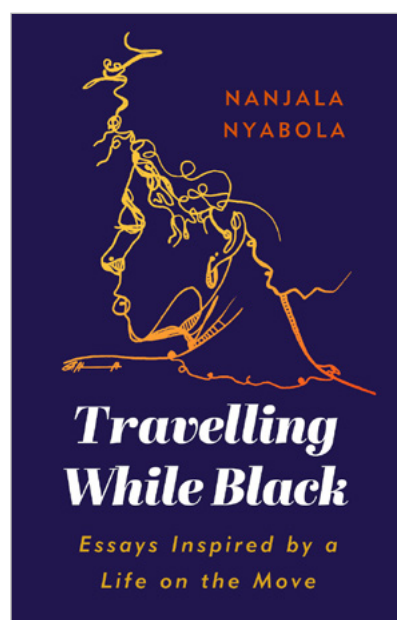
Essays Inspired by a Life on the Move

Shortlisted for the Stanford Dolman

Travel Book of the Year

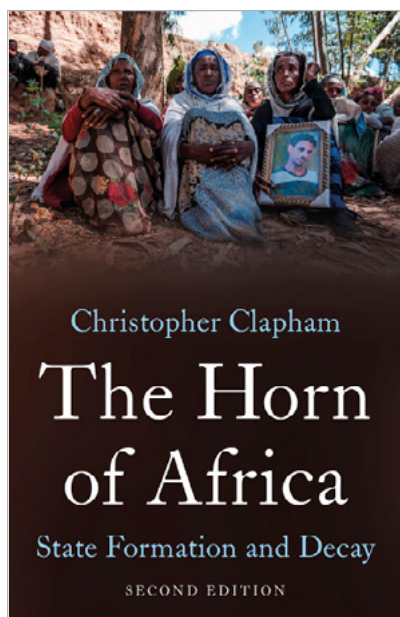
'An insightful, sometimes uncomfortable read, and, like travel itself, opens our eyes.' — *The Times*

'Nanjala Nyabola is a highly self-aware guide in this personal investigation into race, travel and migration in the 21st century... exploring them with depth and insight and a bright alertness to difference. [...] Often beautifully written, the book rewards on many levels, especially when the personal and political are brought together.' — *The Irish Times*



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The Horn in Africa

State Formation and Decay

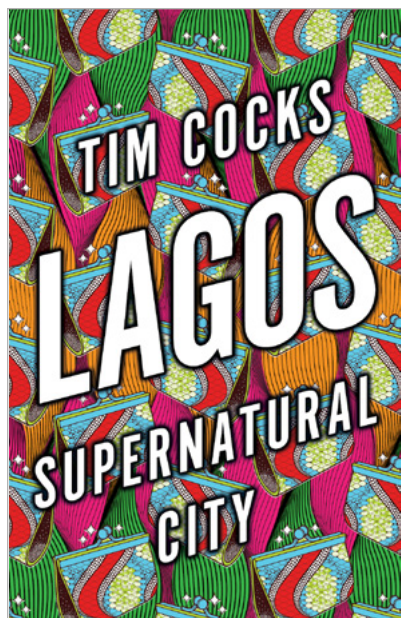
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‘Distinguished political scientist and veteran Ethiopianist Christopher Clapham has written a fascinating account . . . insightful, thoughtful, and full of wisdom.’—*African Studies Review*

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Christopher Clapham is based at the Centre of African Studies, Cambridge University, and recently retired as editor of *The Journal of Modern African Studies*.



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Tim Cocks is a British-born journalist of South African parentage. Currently based in Johannesburg, he was formerly Reuters West & Central Africa bureau chief, based in Dakar, following four years in Lagos as Nigeria bureau chief. He holds an MA in Philosophy & Theology from the University of Oxford.

SUSAN WILLIAMS

NEW
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White Malice

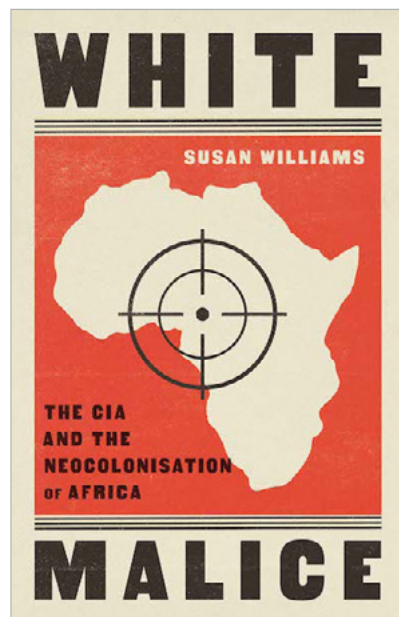
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‘A deeply distressing history of CIA involvement in plots to eliminate certain regimes in Africa, particularly in the Congo and Ghana, just as the countries shook off European colonial rule.’ — *Kirkus Reviews*

Dr Susan Williams is a senior research fellow in the School of Advanced Study, University of London. She has previously published the pathbreaking *Who Killed Hammarskjöld?*, which in 2015 triggered a new, ongoing UN investigation into the death of the UN Secretary-General, and *Spies in the Congo*, which spotlights the link between US espionage in the Congo and the atomic bombs dropped on Japan in 1945. For full details, see page 15.



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THULA SIMPSON

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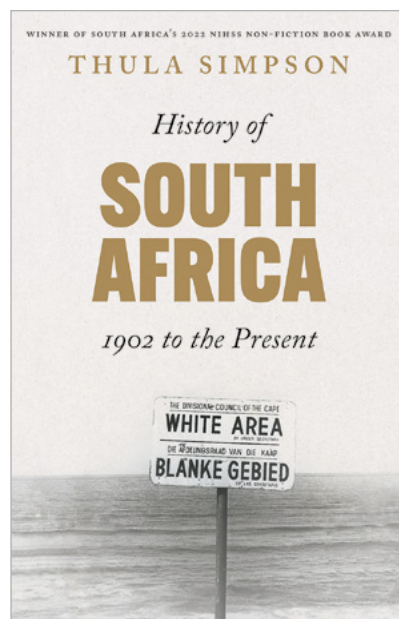
1902 to the Present

Winner of the National Institute for the Humanities and Social Sciences Non-Fiction Book Award (South Africa)

‘A remarkable historian whose work on South African history deserves to be read.’ — *History Today*

‘Narrative history at its best. With prodigious detail and eloquent prose, Thula Simpson places Black South Africans at the centre of the country’s historical evolution and claims his place at the head table of contemporary historians. A masterpiece!’ — Xolela Mangcu, former Oppenheimer fellow, Hutchins Center for African and African American Studies, Harvard University

Thula Simpson is Associate Professor of History at the University of Pretoria.



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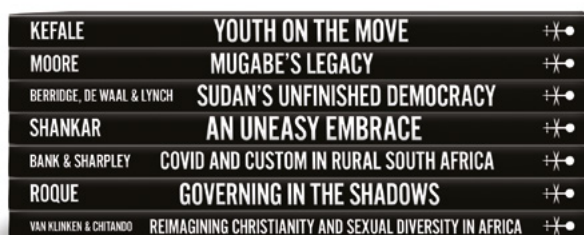
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OLÚFÉMI TÁÍWÒ

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Olúfemi Táíwò is Professor of African Political Thought and current Chair at the Africana Studies and Research Center, Cornell University. His

book *How Colonialism Preempted Modernity in Africa* won the Frantz Fanon Award in 2015.



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PAULA CRISTINA ROQUE

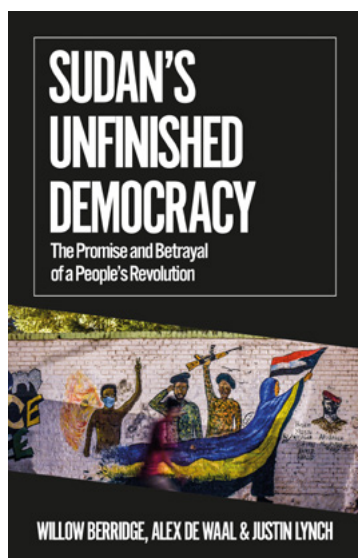
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Angola's Securitised State

'Roque shines a light on Angola's decades-long "armed peace" and identifies securitisation—as discourse, strategy and infrastructure—at its shadowed heart. A deeply researched picture of an unaccountable, secretive machinery, justified by a "permanent crisis" that it both imagines and makes all too real.' — Jocelyn Alexander, Professor of Commonwealth Studies, Department of International Development, University of Oxford

Paula Cristina Roque PhD is a founding member of the South Sudan Center for Strategic and Policy Studies.

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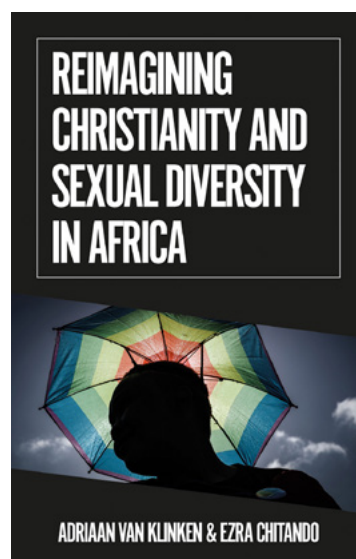
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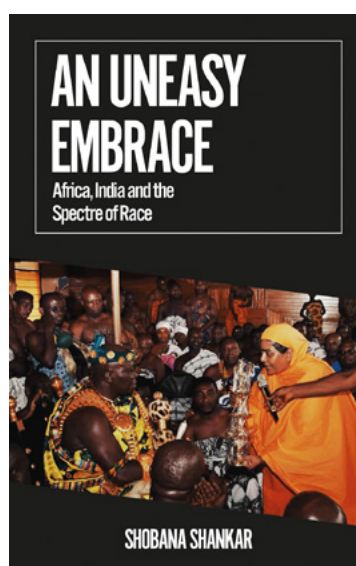
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Asnake Kefale is Associate Professor of Political Science and IR at Addis Ababa University. **Fana Gebresenbet** is Assistant Professor at Addis Ababa University's Institute for Peace and Security Studies.

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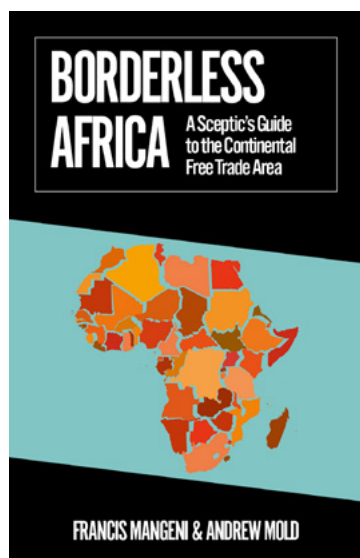
Trade Makes States

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Tobias Hagmann is a research consultant and Associate Professor at Roskilde University. **Finn Stepputat** is a senior researcher at the Danish Institute for International Studies.

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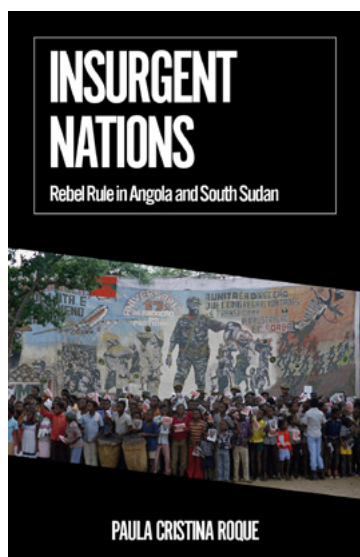
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Christoph N. Vogel is an award-winning investigator of conflicts in Central Africa. He is Research Director of the Insecure Livelihoods project at Ghent University.

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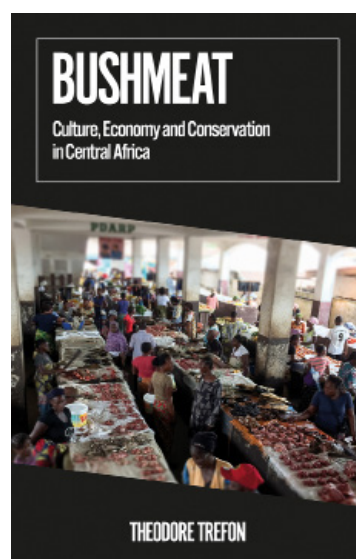
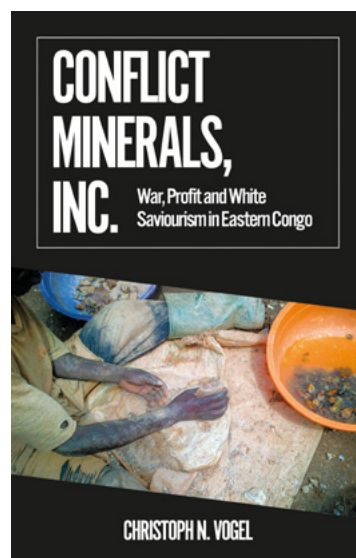
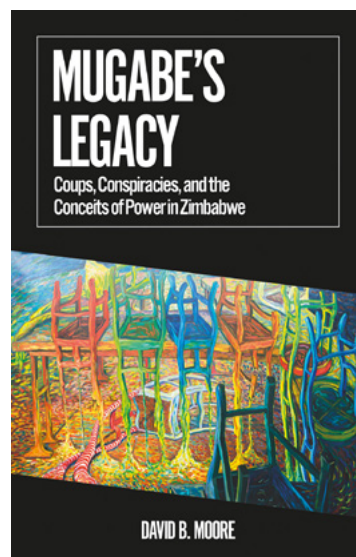
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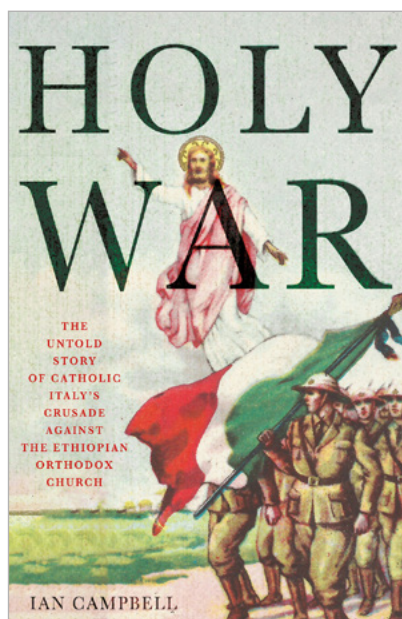
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Theodore Trefon is a senior researcher at the Royal Museum for Central Africa, Belgium, and a lecturer at ERAIFT, Kinshasa.

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IAN CAMPBELL

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— *Foreign Affairs*

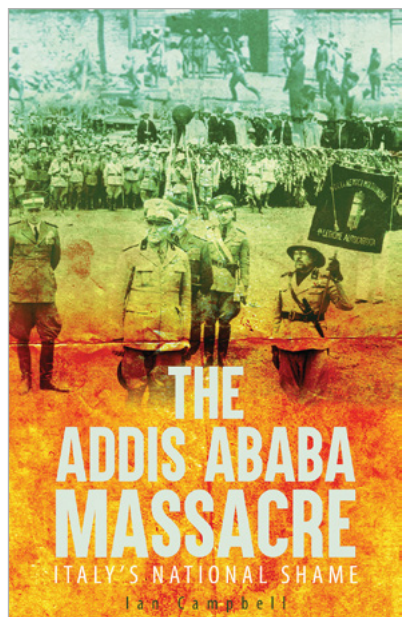
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Italy's National Shame

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Ian Campbell is an independent scholar and international consultant.

OLIVETTE OTELE

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An Untold History

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A *Guardian* Best Book of 2020

‘Fascinating ... though this is a work of synthesis, it’s an unusually generous and densely layered one.’

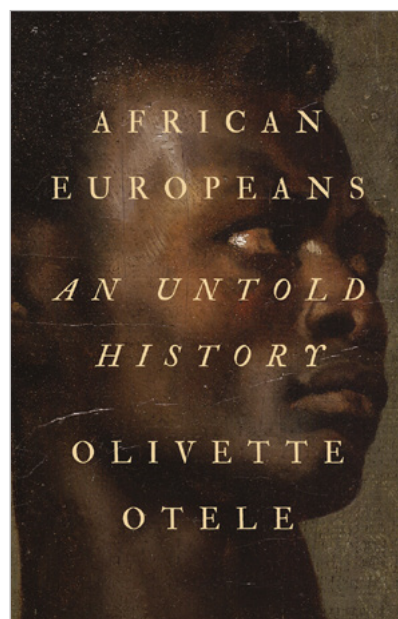
— *The Guardian*

‘A brilliant, important and beautifully written book that forces us to think about the past differently.’

— Peter Frankopan, *History Today* Books of the Year 2020

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Olivette Otele is Distinguished Professor of the Legacies and Memory of Slavery at SOAS, University of London and Vice-President of the Royal Historical Society.



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Blood and Bronze

The British Empire and the Sack of Benin

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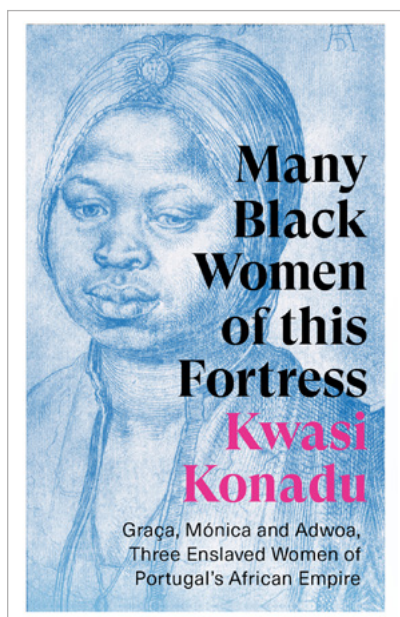
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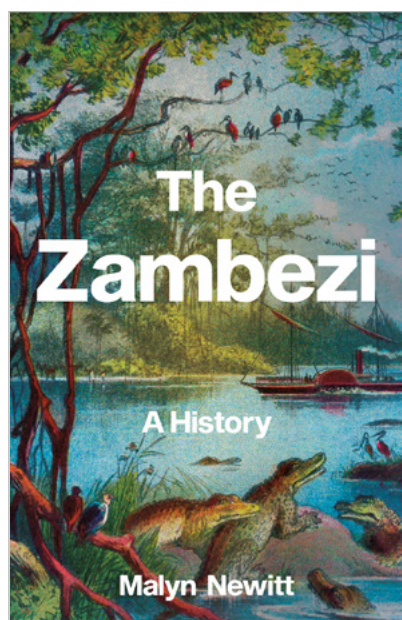
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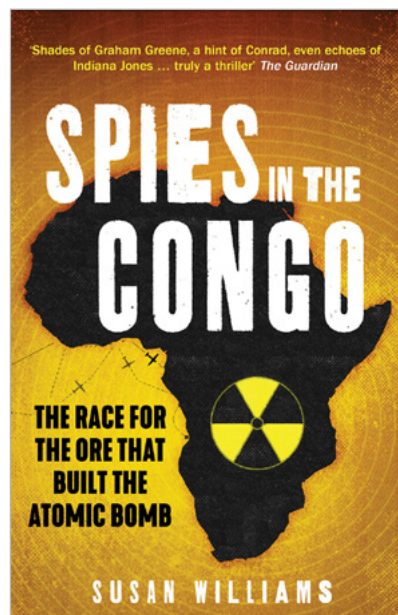
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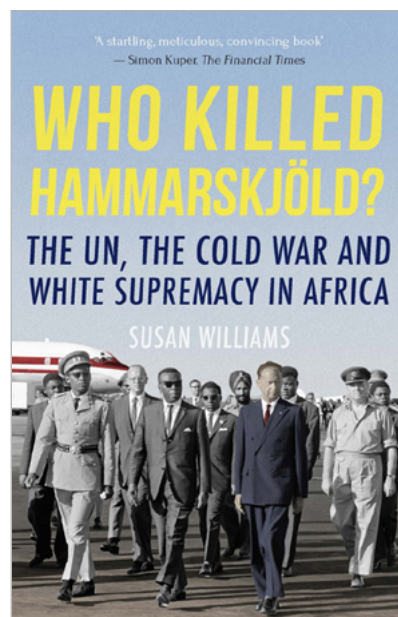
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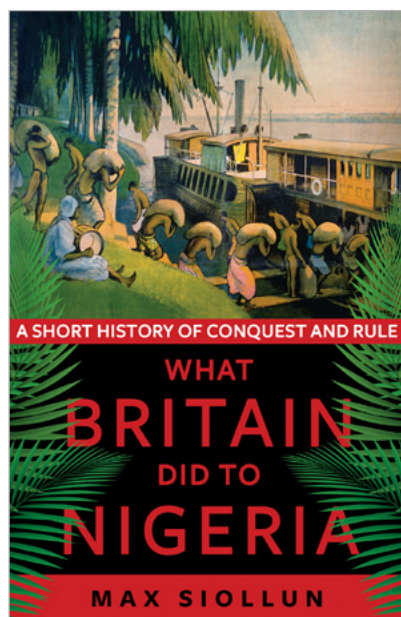
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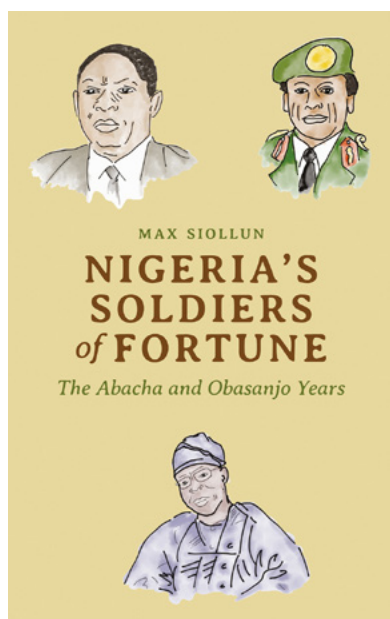
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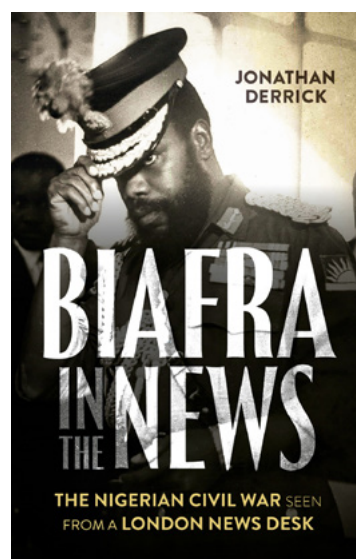
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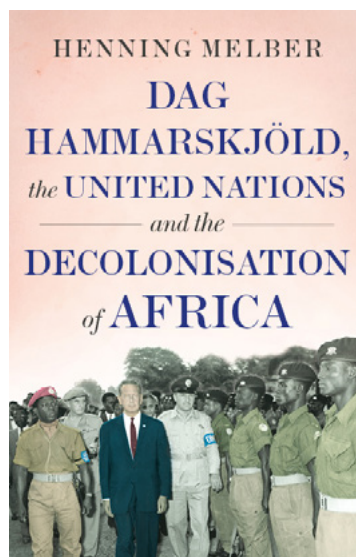
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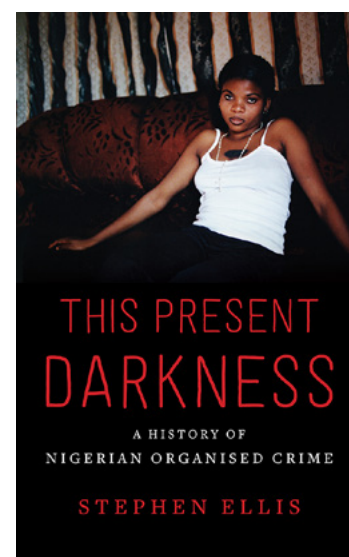
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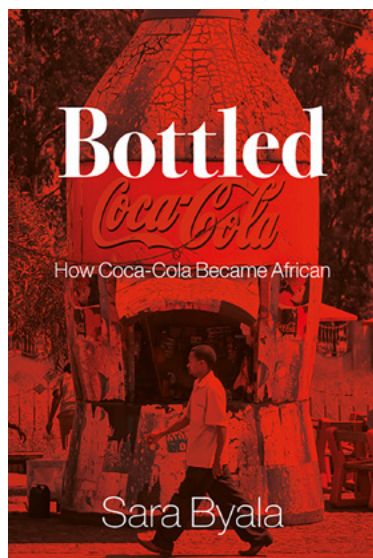
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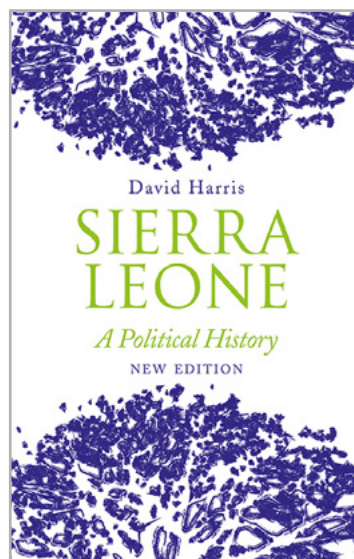
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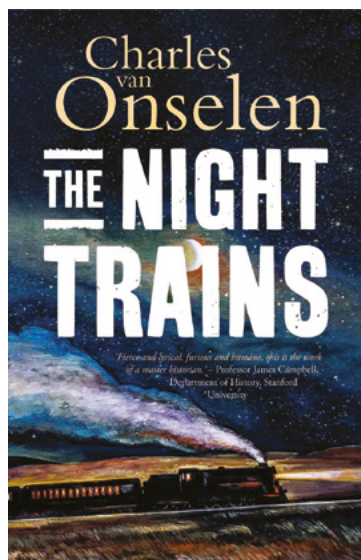
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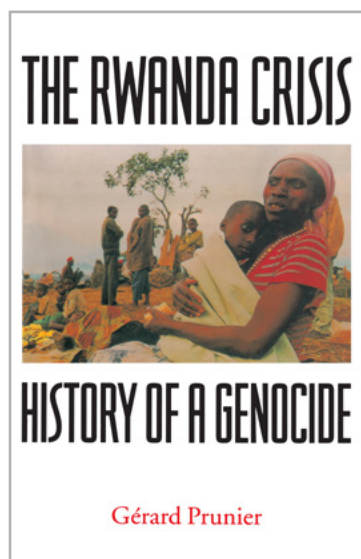
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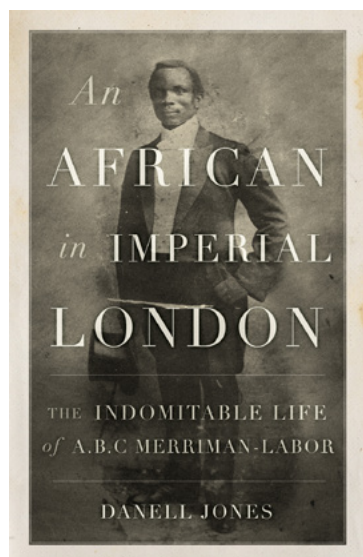
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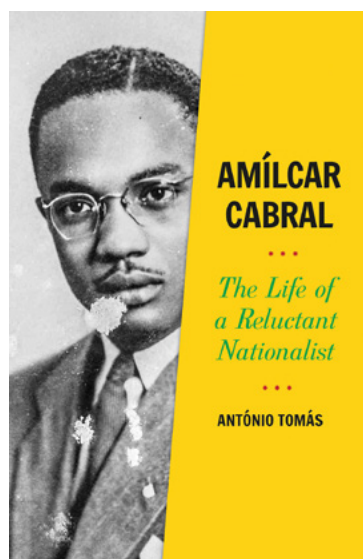
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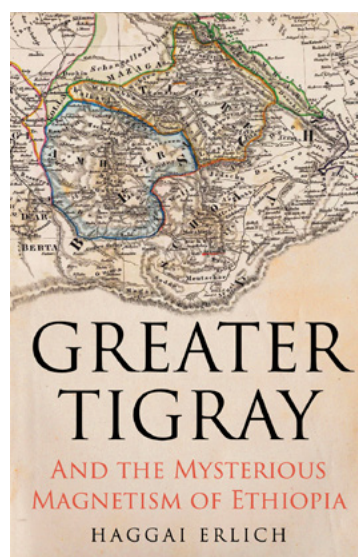
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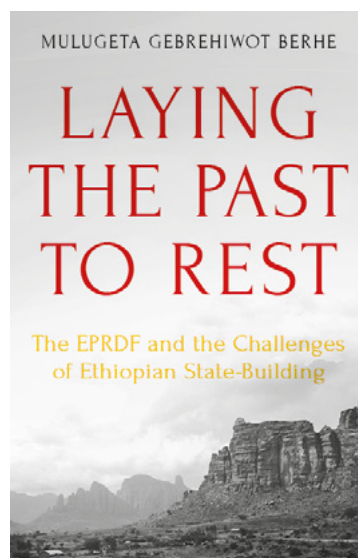
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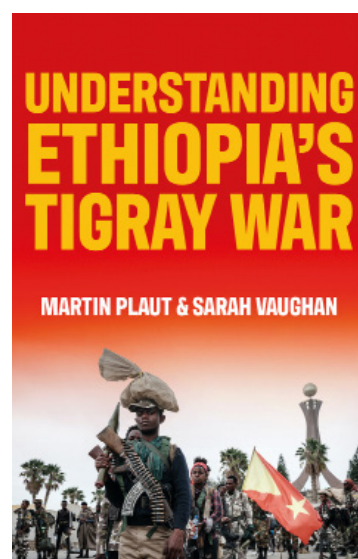
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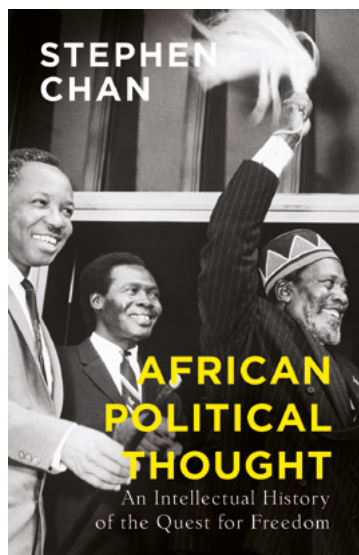
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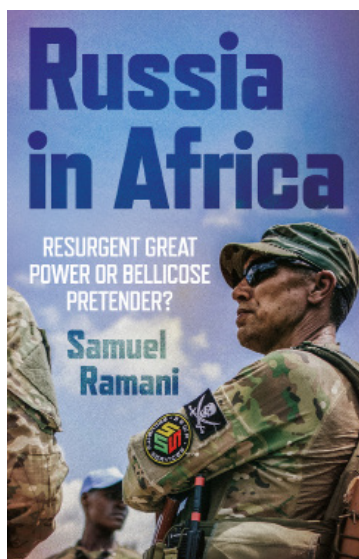
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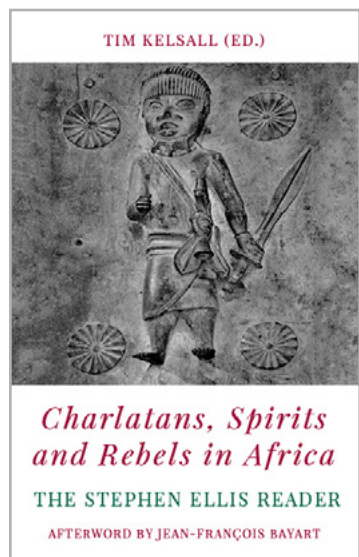
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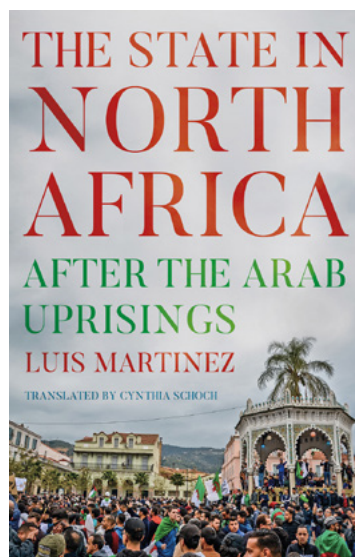
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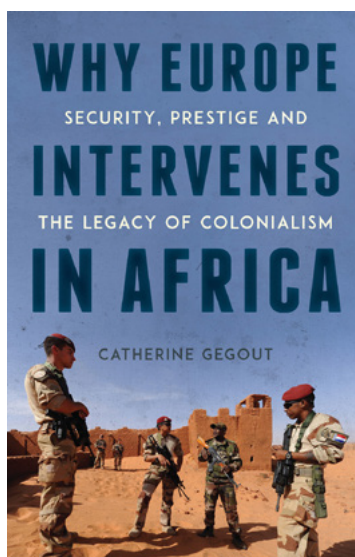
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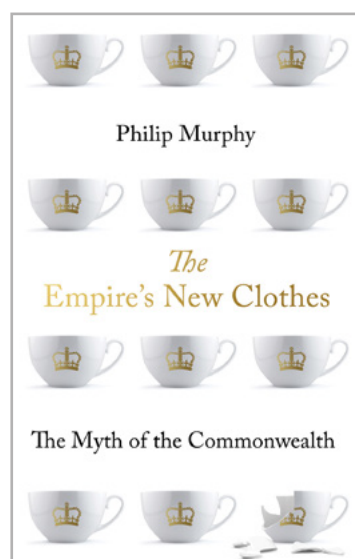
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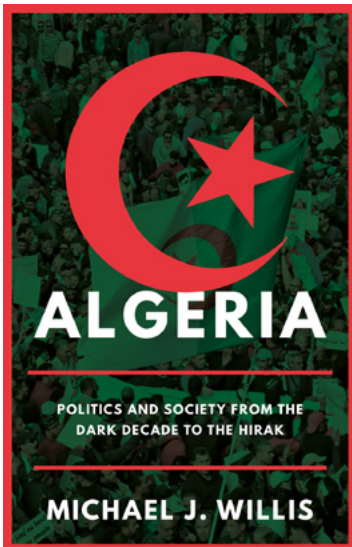
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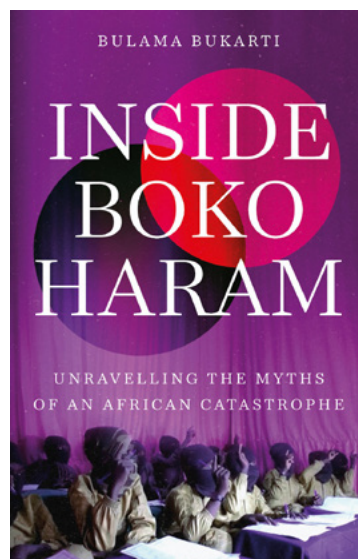
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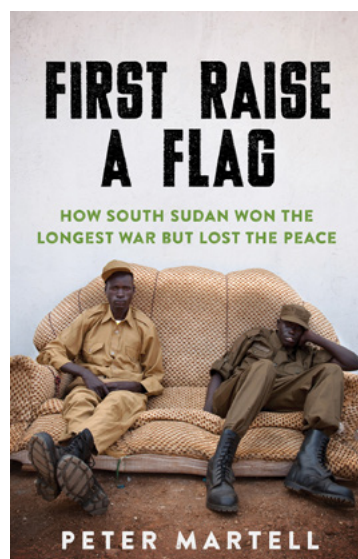
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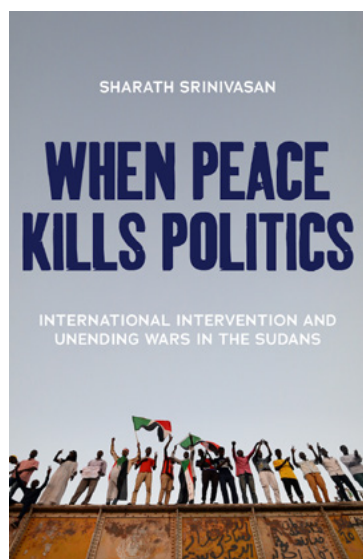
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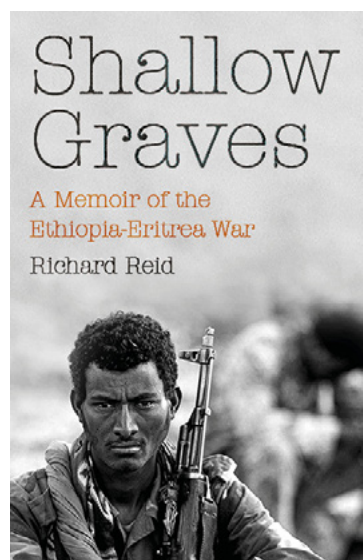
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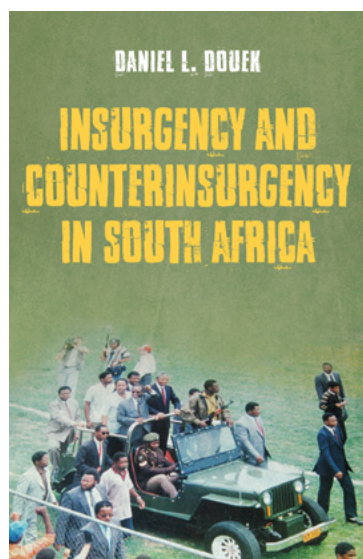
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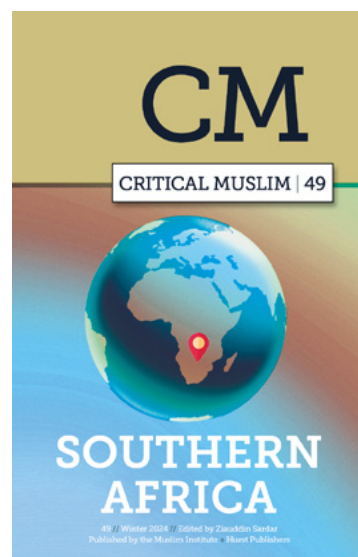
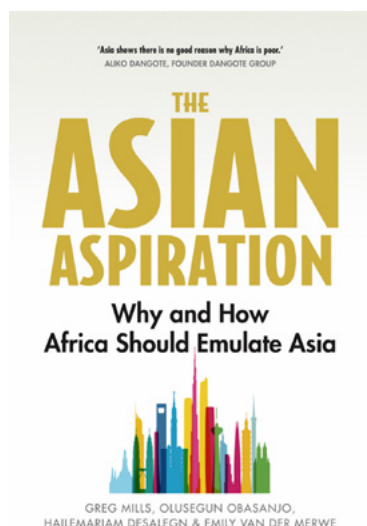
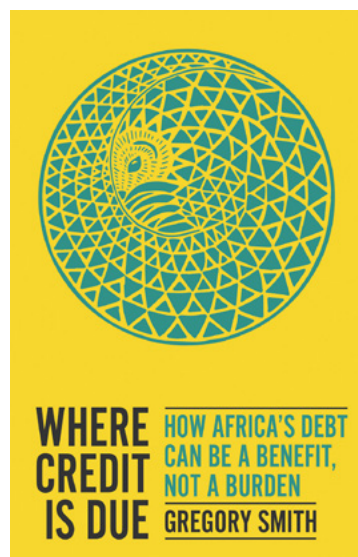
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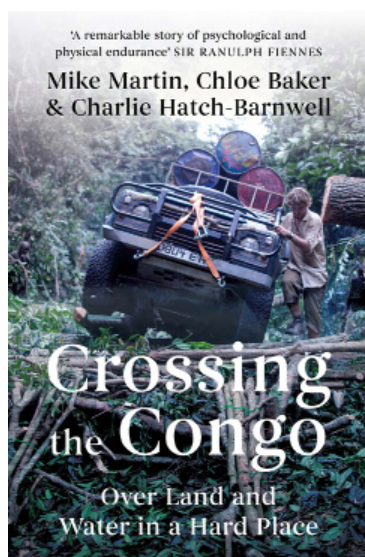
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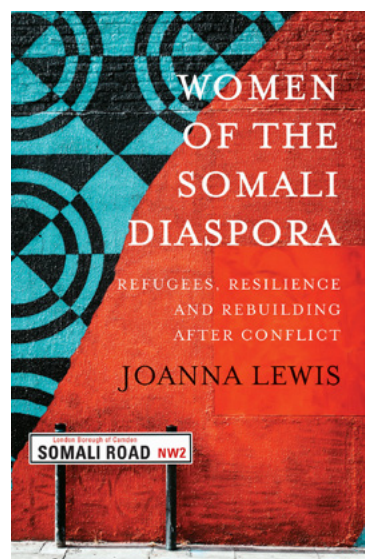
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