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320.9 POLITICAL SITUATION & CONDITION

1 Lu, Rey-ching

Chinese democracy and elite thinking / Rey-ching Lu.--
New York: Palgrave Macmillan, 2011. 181p.

ISBN : 9780230110830.

320.951 LU11 103536

Will China become a multiparty democracy? The author posits that the more that Chinese elite thinking on China's development and change reconciles the tension between Chinese nationalism and collectivist, family-like ethics on the one hand, and the western democratic ideals based on each self-seeking individual's subjectivity on the other hand, the greater the chance that China's political development will lead to a multiparty democracy. The author projects that within the next twenty years China will march on the path of democratization.

** China - Democracy; China - Elite; China - Politics and government - 20th century; China - Politics and government

327.174 DISARMAMENT AND ARMS CONTROL

2 Alden, Chris

Militias and the challenges of post-conflict peace: silencing the guns / Chris Alden, Monika Thakur and Matthew Arnold.-- New York: Zed Books, 2011. 191p. ISBN : 9781848135277.

327.174 ALD11 102692

Militias have proven to be a consistent and enduring challenge to achieving peace in war zones around the world. Bringing together the lessons learned from four intensively-researched case studies -- the Democratic Republic of Congo, Timor-Leste, Afghanistan and Sudan -- the book argues that the overly rigid "cookie-cutter" approach to demilitarization, developed and commonly implemented presently by the international community, is ineffective at meeting the myriad of challenges involving militias. In doing so, the authors propose a radical new framework for demilitarization that questions conventional models and takes into account on-the-ground realities

** Peace-building; Militia ; Militia movements - Case studies; Disarmament - Case studies

327.51 CHINA - FOREIGN RELATIONS

3 Pant, Harsh V.

China's rising global profile: the great power tradition / Harsh V. Pant.-- Brighton: Sussex Academic Press, 2011. 122p.

ISBN : 9781845194574.

327.51 PAN11 103510

The book examines the growing role of China in various parts of the world - in Asia-Pacific, South Asia, Africa, Middle East, and Europe - and the tough diplomatic choices that it is having to make as it goes about asserting its interests.

** China - Foreign relations; China - Foreign economic relations; China -politics and government; China - Economic conditions

327.6 AFRICA - FOREIGN RELATIONS

4 From rivalry to partnership?: new approaches to the challenges of Africa / Tony Chafer and Gordon Cumming, Ed.-- England: Ashgate Publishing Limited, 2011. 249p. ISBN : 9781409405177.

327.604 CHA11 103684

"From Rivalry to Partnership" is the first to study a potentially valuable way forward in tackling the challenges of Africa, namely bilateral partnerships. This book evaluates the significance and strength of the emerging Anglo-French partnership and explores how far this and other forms of 'bilateral' and 'bi-multi' cooperation might serve as a valuable alternative or complement to traditional unilateral and multilateral approaches in Africa.

** Europe - Foreign relations - United States; Africa - Foreign relations - Europe; Africa - Foreign relations - United States

337 INTERNATIONAL ECONOMICS

- 5 Schenk, Catherine R.
International economic relations since 1945 / Catherine R. Schenk.-- London: Routledge, 2011. 172p.
ISBN : 9780415570787.
337 SCH11 102800
The international economy since 1945 has endured dramatic changes in its balance of power, from the early period of prosperity for industrialised nations, to the 2008/9 global crisis. In this volume Catherine Schenk outlines these huge changes, examines how the world's economic leaders have tried to organise and influence the international economy and presents the key frameworks in which international economic relations have developed
** International economic relations - History; Monetary policy; Economic development; World politics; Financial crisis

337.1 ECONOMIC COOPERATION

- 6 Good governance in the 21st century: conflict, institutional change, and development in the era of globalization / Joachim Ahrens, Rolf Caspers and Janina Weingarth, Ed.-- Cheltenham: Edward Elgar, 2011. 374p.
ISBN : 9781845429713.
337.1 AHR11 103688
This book explores the interdependences of economic globalisation, political tensions, and national policymaking whilst analysing opportunities for governance reform at both national and international levels. It considers how governance mechanisms can be fashioned in order to both exploit the opportunities of globalization and cope with the numerous potential conflicts and risks.
** Globalization; International cooperation

361 SOCIAL PROBLEMS AND SOCIAL WELFARE IN GENERAL

- 7 Grassroots social security in Asia: Mutual aid, microinsurance and social welfare / Edited by James Midgley and Mitsuhiro Hosaka.-- New York: Routledge, 2011 157p.
ISBN : 9780415493062.
361.95 MID11 102674
Grassroots Social Security in Asia investigates the role of mutual associations in providing income protection to low-income people in Asia and in particular the region's developing countries. Historically, these associations have consisted of small groups of people with common interests who save regularly to support, maintain and supplement their incomes. Members make regular contributions to a communal fund which is used to provide income protection when they experience financial hardship
** Asia - Social security; Asia - Poor families; Asia - Case studies; Asia - Social policy

954 INDIA/SOUTH ASIA - GENERAL HISTORY

- 8 Sramek, Joseph

Gender, morality, and race in company India, 1765-1858 / Joseph Sramek.-- New York: Palgrave Macmillan, 2011. 250p.

ISBN : 9780230116931.

954 .031 SRA11 103517

Between 1765 and 1858, British imperialists in India obsessed continuously about gaining and preserving Indian opinion of British moral and racial prestige. Weaving political, intellectual, cultural, and gender history together in an innovative approach, Gender, Morality, and Race in Company India, 1765-1858 examines imperial anxieties regarding British moral misconduct in India ranging from debt and gift giving to drunkenness and irreligion and points out their wider relationship to the structuring of British colonialism.

**India - History; East India Company - History; India - Colonial administrators; India - Politics and government

957 SIBERIA - GENERAL HISTORY

9 Wood, Alan

Russia's frozen frontier: a history of Siberia and the Russian Far east 1581-1991 / Alan Wood.-- London: Bloomsbury Academic, 2011. 272p.

ISBN : 9780340971246.

957 WOO11 103245

Alan Wood's ambitious work is the first to address the whole span both chronologically and thematically - of the development of Siberia, and its role in both the Russian and the global context. With a scope that reaches from to Muscovy's conquest of Siberia in the 16th and 17th centuries to modern times, it explores the effects of colonial exploitation, the Revolutions of 1917 and developments during the Soviet period. Russia's Frozen Frontier is also the first book to detail the history of Siberia from the view of Siberians themselves - both Russian and native - rather than seen through the lens of Moscow or St Petersburg

** Siberia (Russia) - History; Siberia (Russia) - Development; Siberia (Russia) - War and revolution

973 USA - GENERAL HISTORY

10 Obama phenomenon: change we can!: essays and Poetry by Black critics and creative artists / Edited by Femi Ojo-Ade.-- Trenton: Africa World Press, 2011. 348p.

Essays and Poetry by Black Critics and Creative Artists.

ISBN : 1592217591.

973.932092 OJO11 103011

Edited by internationally recognized scholar on black literatures and cultures, Femi Ojo-Ade, this volume brings together a mixture of young intellectuals and seasoned scholars from Africa and its Diaspora to address various themes of the Obama phenomenon, all from an Afro-oriented perspective. Obama, even in modern, millennial America, remains black and African, notwithstanding his mainstream pedigree as a child reared by a single white mother and an adult educated in legendary Ivy-League Harvard. His affiliation to black is a choice; he has made it a point of attitude and action to be at once

America's president and a beacon of achievement for his black and African people.

** Obama, Barack - Influence; Obama, Barack - Public Opinion; United States - President - Election; United States - Politics and government

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