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the legacy of the bush administration and its war on terror includes a new logic of  
surveillance suppressing public dissent and mobilizing both fear and faith in this  
accessible book elmer and opel show that this new logic stretches well beyond the realm  
of airport security and international relations into everyday police techniques including  
the use of tasers the deployment of stealth crowd control the zoning of protestors and the  
suppression of public dissent drawing on social theories and media analyses this book

reveals the underlying logic of preemption whereby threats must be eliminated before they materialize by addressing the implications of this new logic elmer and opel lay the groundwork for more effective resistance

essays on the justification strategy and limits of mass protests and political dissent in protest and dissent the latest installment of the nomos series distinguished scholars from the fields of political science law and philosophy provide a fresh interdisciplinary perspective on the potential and limits of mass protest and disobedience in today s age featuring ten timely essays the contributors address a number of contemporary movements from black lives matter and the women s march to occupy wall street and standing rock ultimately this volume challenges us to re imagine the boundaries between civil and uncivil disagreement political reform and radical transformation and democratic ends and means protest and dissent offers thought provoking insights into a new era of political resistance

a broadly liberal politics requires political compassion not simply in the sense of compassion for the victims of injustice but also for opponents confronted through political protest and more broadly dissent there are times when out of a sense of compassion a just cause should not be pressed there are times when we need to accommodate the dreadfulness of loss for opponents even when the cause for which they fight is unjust we may also have to come to terms with the irreversibility of historic injustice and reconcile political compassion of this sort carries risks pushed too far it may weaken our commitment to justice through too great a sympathy for those on the other side it would be convenient if such compassion could be constrained by a clear set of political principles but principles run the quite different risk of promoting an ossified dissent unable to respond to change in this book tony milligan argues that principles are only a limited guide to dissent in unique contingent circumstances they will not tell us how to deal with the truly difficult cases such as the following should the lakota celebrate thanksgiving when is the crossing of a picket line justified what kind of toleration must animal rights advocates cultivate to make progress within a broadly liberal political domain and how should we respond to the entangling of aspiration towards social justice with anger and prejudice such as the anti zionist discourse we may be tempted to answer these questions by presupposing that alignment the business of choosing sides is ultimately more important than compassion but sometimes political compassion trumps alignment sometimes being on the right side is not the most important thing

while liberal democratic states like america britain and australia claim to value freedom of

expression and the right to dissent they have always actually criminalized dissent this disposition has worsened since 9 11 and the 2008 great recession this ground breaking study shows that just as dissent involves far more than protest marches so too liberal democratic states have expanded the criminalization of dissent drawing on political and social theorists like arendt bourdieu and isin the book offers a new way of thinking about politics dissent and its criminalization relationally using case studies like the occupy movement selective refusal by israeli soldiers urban squatters democratic education and violence by anti apartheid activists the book highlights the many forms dissent takes along with the many ways liberal democratic states criminalize it the book highlights the mix of fear and delusion in play when states privilege security to protect an imagined political order from difference and disagreement the book makes a major contribution to political theory legal studies and sociology linking legal political and normative studies in new ways watts shows that ultimately liberal democracies rely more on sovereignty and the capacity for coercion and declarations of legal states of exception than on liberal democratic principles in a time marked by a deepening crisis of democracy the book argues dissent is increasingly valuable

this book examines through an interdisciplinary lens the relationship between political dissent and processes of designing in the past twenty years theorists of social movements have noted a diversity of visual and performative manifestations taking place in protest while the fields of design broadly defined have been characterized by a growing interest in activism the book s premise stems from the recognition that material engagement and artifacts have the capacity to articulate political arguments or establish positions of disagreement its contributors look at a wide array of material practices generated by both professional and nonprofessional design actors around the globe exploring case studies that vary from street protests and encampments to design pedagogy and community empowerment projects for students and scholars of design studies urbanism visual culture politics and social movements this book opens up new perspectives on design and its place in contemporary politics

from animal rights to anti abortion from tax resistance to anti poverty activists from across the political spectrum often deliberately break the law to further their causes while not behaviors common to hardened or self seeking criminals the staging of civil disobedience non violent resistance and direct action can nevertheless trigger a harsh response from law enforcement with those arrested risking jail time and criminal records crimes of dissent features the voices of these activists presenting a fascinating insider s look at the motivations costs and consequences of deliberately violating the law as a

strategy of social change crimes of dissent provides readers with an in depth understanding of why activists break the law and what happens to them when they do using dynamic examples both historic and recent jarret lovell explores how seasoned protesters are handled and treated by the criminal justice system shedding light on the intersection between the political and the criminal by adopting the unique vantage of the street level activist crimes of dissent provides a fascinating view of protest from the ground giving voice to those who refuse to remain silent by risking punishment for their political actions

explores the central role of petitions in reshaping the political culture of the united kingdom in their nineteenth century heyday

while the american founders fully expected parties to form in a free society they were far less certain that opposing parties would peacefully transfer power from one to another party formation presented a confounding problem for the new republic party rivalries could not be prevented but they might nonetheless catalyze civil disorder or fracture the union of the states the status of political parties has come a long way in american society and politics however and today american democracy is inconceivable without them how did party competition become a regular and normal feature of the american political landscape why did american political leaders who viewed such rivalry as a harbinger of the new republic s destruction come to terms with party opposition embracing dissent tells this story of political transformation making the case that the status of party gained ground as the notion that party competition might instigate class violence secession or civil war receded from the american founding and the appearance of the jacksonian democratic party to lincoln s management of party politics during the civil war jeffrey s selinger presents a careful reconsideration of american political development embracing dissent also provides historical perspective on today s polarized political condition too often pundits exaggerate the significance of partisan differences and minimize the depth of political consensus that permeates american politics political observers casually use expressions like party conflict forgetting as the famed political scientist giovanni sartori noted that public consensus on fundamental legal and constitutional norms makes party competition something less than conflict as we endlessly if often too late rediscover whenever we are confronted with the reality of a people shooting at each other embracing dissent reminds readers of the long history of americans shooting at each other and describes the political events that disarmed them

the most thorough examination we have of how early americans wrestled with what types

of political dissent should be permitted even promoted in the new republic they were forming martin shows the modern relevance of their debates in ways that all will find valuable even those who dissent from his views rogers m smith christopher h browne distinguished professor of political science university of pennsylvania we generally think of democracy as government by consent a government of by and for the people we commonly downplay or even denigrate the role of dissent in democratic governments but in government by dissent robert w t martin explores the idea that the people most important in a flourishing democracy are those who challenge the status quo the american political radicals of the 1790s understood articulated and defended the crucial necessity of dissent to democracy dissent has rarely been the mainstream of democratic politics but the figures explored here forgotten farmers as well as revered framers understood that dissent is always the essential undercurrent of democracy and is often the critical crosscurrent only by returning to their political insights can we hope to reinvigorate our own popular politics robert w t martin is professor of government and chair of the government department at hamilton college his works include the free and open press the founding of american democratic press liberty 1640 1800 2001 and the many faces of alexander hamilton co edited with douglas ambrose 2006 both from nyu press

politics of dissent offers a framework to account for the multiple manifestations of dissent and their contributions to shape political alternatives the book highlights the potential of dissent from the initial questioning of the dominant system to the creation of new political and social agendas

teaching for dissent looks at the implications of new forms of dissent for educational practice the reappearance of dissent in political meetings and street protests opens new possibilities for improved democratic life and citizen participation this book argues that this possibility will not be fulfilled if schools do not cultivate the skills necessary for our citizens to engage in political dissent the authors look at how practices in schools such as the testing regime and the hidden curriculum suppress students ability to voice ideas that stand in opposition to the status quo teaching for dissent calls for a realignment of the curriculum and the practices of schooling with a guiding vision of democratic participation

this book explores and tests different theories of how governments respond to dissent and how dissidents respond to repression using extensive empirical data and detailed studies on latin america and africa

this distinctive reader is the only collection of truly critical readings on american government available its approach takes readers beyond the mainstream debate between liberalism and conservatism and stimulates them to think deeply about the american political system

there has always been an intricate relationship between religion and politics this encyclopedia provides a comprehensive overview of the interrelation of religion and politics from colonial days to the present can a judge display the ten commandments outside of the courthouse can a town set up a nativity scene on the village green during christmas should u s currency bear the in god we trust motto should public school students be allowed to form bible study groups controversies about the separation of church and state the proper use of religious imagery in public space and the role of religious beliefs in public education are constantly debated this work offers insights into contemporary controversies regarding the uneasy intersections of religion and politics in america organized alphabetically the entries place each topic in its proper historical context to help readers fully grasp how religious beliefs have always existed side by side and often clashed with political ideals in the united states from the time of the colonies the information is presented in an unbiased manner that favors no particular religious background or political inclination this work shows that politics and religion have always had an impact on one another and have done so in many ways that will likely surprise modern students

this work will be very valuable for academic and public libraries supporting prelaw law social and cultural studies summing up highly recommended upper level undergraduates through professionals practitioners general readers choice there are two aspects of scholarship about the legal systems of our day that are especially salient one being for the first time there is a fair amount of genuine research on legal systems and two that this research is increasingly global as soon as you cross a jurisdictional line even if it separates countries that are very similar you enter a different legal system it cannot be assumed that any particular rule doctrine or practice is the same in any two jurisdictions regardless of how close these jurisdictions are in terms of history and tradition the encyclopedia of law and society is the largest comprehensive and international treatment of the law and society field with an advisory board of 62 members from 20 countries and six continents the three volumes of this state of the art resource represent interdisciplinary perspectives on law from sociology criminology cultural anthropology political science social psychology and economics by globalizing the encyclopedia s coverage american and international law and society will be better understood within its historical and

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depicts u s political leaders as the consistent driving force behind america s vietnam commitment

winner of the 2021 best book award from the academy of management division of public and nonprofit management rosemary o leary s the ethics of dissent offers a novel take on rule breakers and whistle blowers in the federal government finding a book that elegantly interweaves theory case detail and practice in a way useful to students and researching proves challenging o leary achieves those aims randall davis southern illinois university from constructive contributors to deviant destroyers government guerrillas work clandestinely against the best wishes of their superiors these public servants are dissatisfied with the actions of the organizations for which they work but often choose not to go public with their concerns in her third edition of the ethics of dissent rosemary o leary shows that the majority of guerrilla government cases are the manifestation of inevitable tensions between bureaucracy and democracy which yield immense ethical and organizational challenges that all public managers must learn to navigate new to the third edition new examples of guerrilla government showcase the power of public servants as well as their ethical obligations key concepts are connected to real examples such as kim davis the kentucky county clerk who refused to sign the marriage certificates of gay couples and kevin chmielewski the deputy chief of staff for operations at the u s environmental protection agency epa who led environmental groups to the wrong doings of epa administrator scott prewitt a new section on the creation of alt twitter accounts designed to counter and even sabotage the policies of president donald trump highlights the power of social media in guerrilla government activities a new section on the u s department of state dissent channel provides readers with a positive example of the right way to dissent as a public servant a new chapter on edward snowden demonstrates the practical relevance and contemporary importance of the world s largest security breach a

new profile of u s department of state diplomat mary a wright illustrates how she used her resignation to dissent about u s policies in iraq

popular dissent such as street demonstrations and civil disobedience has become increasingly transnational in nature and scope as a result a local act of resistance can acquire almost immediately a much larger cross territorial dimension this book draws upon a broad and innovative range of sources to scrutinise this central but often neglected aspect of global politics through case studies that span from renaissance perceptions of human agency to the collapse of the berlin wall the author examines how the theory and practice of popular dissent has emerged and evolved during the modern period dissent he argues is more than just transnational it has become an important transversal phenomenon an array of diverse political practices which not only cross national boundaries but also challenge the spatial logic through which these boundaries frame international relations

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