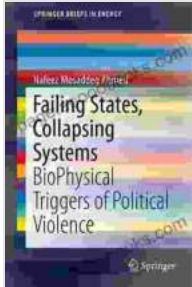


Failing States, Collapsing Systems: A Harrowing Look at the World's Most Fragile Countries

By Robert Kaplan

In the wake of the Arab Spring uprisings, the world has been confronted with a sobering reality: the number of failing states is on the rise. From Somalia to Afghanistan to North Korea, countries are collapsing under the weight of war, poverty, and corruption. In his new book, *Failing States, Collapsing Systems*, award-winning journalist and foreign correspondent Robert Kaplan travels to some of the most dangerous and unstable places on earth to document the devastating effects of state failure.



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Kaplan's book is a harrowing and eye-opening account of the human toll of state failure. He meets with warlords, rebels, and government officials, and he witnesses firsthand the suffering of ordinary people caught in the

crossfire. In Somalia, he meets a young woman who has been raped multiple times by soldiers. In Afghanistan, he meets a farmer who has lost everything to the Taliban. And in North Korea, he meets a defector who has escaped from one of the world's most repressive regimes.

Kaplan's writing is both vivid and thought-provoking, and he provides a unique perspective on the challenges facing the world's most vulnerable countries. He argues that state failure is not simply a problem for the countries themselves, but also a threat to global security. When states collapse, they create vacuums that can be filled by terrorists, criminals, and other malevolent actors. They also lead to mass migrations of refugees, which can destabilize neighboring countries.

Failing States, Collapsing Systems is a must-read for anyone who wants to understand the complex challenges facing the world today. Kaplan's book is a powerful reminder of the importance of strong and stable governments, and it is a call to action for the international community to do more to help the world's most fragile countries.

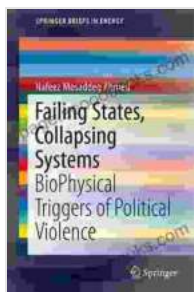
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